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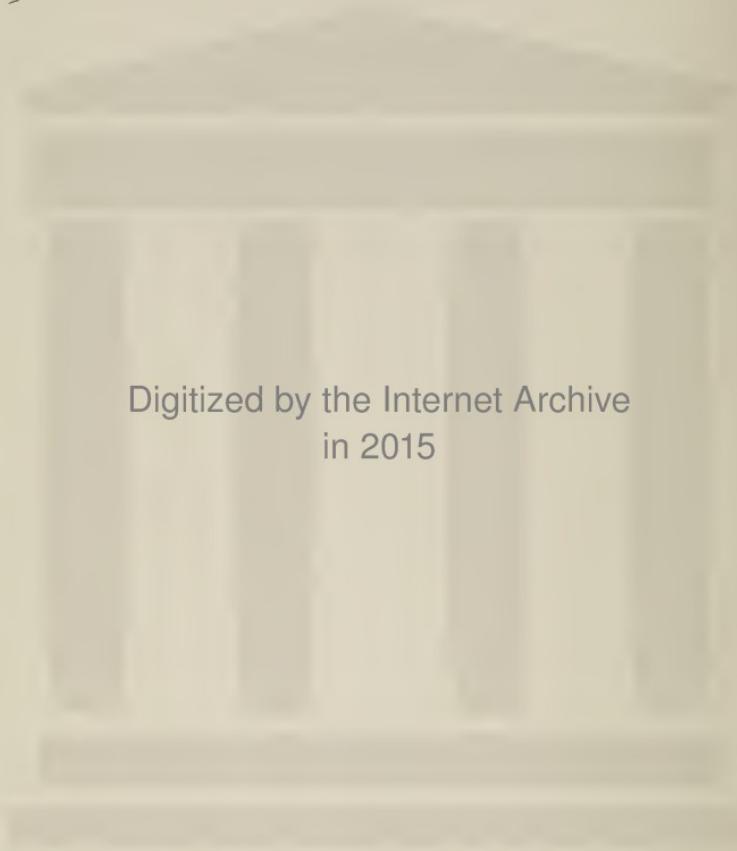
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Town Officers, 1897.

Selectmen.

JOHN F. TWISS, Chairman.
CHARLES T. BRAINERD. GEORGE M. ATKINS.

Assessors.

HARRY T. BISHOP. JOHN O. HAMILTON.
ANDREW A. WARRINER.

Overseers of the Poor.

RUFUS L. BOND,	Term expires 1900
WILLIAM MERRIAM, Chairman,	" " 1899
HARRY T. BISHOP,	" " 1898

Town Clerk and Treasurer.

JAMES B. SHAW.

School Committee.

FRANK A. RUGGLES,	Term expires 1900
WILLIAM A. BRECKENRIDGE, Chairman,	" " 1899
CHARLES H. HOBBS,	" " 1899
WILLIAM E. HALL,	" " 1898
WILLIAM E. McDONALD,	" " 1898
CHARLES E. FISH,	" " 1898

Board of Health.

DR. WILLIAM HOLBROOK, Chairman,	Term expires 1899
DR. LESLIE H. HENDEE,	" " 1900

Tax Collector.

HERBERT A. NORTHRUP.

Auditors.

SAMUEL H. HELLYAR. CHARLES K. GAMWELL.

Constables.

SAMUEL BROWN.	MICHAEL COLLINS.
JAMES J. MANNING.	JOHN F. LUMAN.
JOHN P. EASTMAN.	

Fence Viewers.

J. KING KNOX. FRANK A. BARKER. PURLIN M. SHEARER.

Assessors' Report.

APPROPRIATIONS FOR 1897.

Sidewalks, General,	\$ 350.00
" Commercial street, Thorndike,	350.00
" Main street, Thorndike,	150.00
" Bondsville, near railroad station,	60.00
" Bondsville, near Potter & Bond's office,	150.00
Repairing hearse.	85 00
Night police,	1,600.00
Memorial Day,	100.00
Aid to soldiers and sailors,	300.00
Contingencies, Selectmen,	3,900.00
Railings,	200.00
Highways,	4,500.00
Bridges,	1,700.00
Sewers and culverts,	400.00
Discount on taxes,	3,000.00
Interest on town debt,	2,000.00
School teachers' salaries,	13,500.00
School contingencies,	800.00
Fuel,	1,500.00
Text books and supplies,	900.00
Repairs, schoolhouses,	400.00
Drawing,	400.00
Care of houses,	1,000.00
Transportation of scholars,	1,500.00
Support of poor,	6,000.00
Contingencies, Overseers of Poor,	300.00
Board of Health,	200.00

Illegal sales of liquor (prosecution),	\$ 500.00
Shade trees,	50.00
Street lights,	5,000.00
Library Association,	1,000.00
Permanent roads,	4,500.00

	\$56,395.00
Less license money,	7,652.25

	\$48,742.75
1897 County tax,	3,980.46
1897 State tax,	2,030.00

	\$54,753.21
Overlay,	331.94

	\$55,085.15
Non-resident bank tax on collector's book,	1,650.81

	\$56,735.96

VALUATION FOR 1897.

Personal estate,	\$771,039.00
Resident bank stock,	22,660.00
Real estate, buildings,	1,448,861.00
Real estate, land,	477,078.00

	1,925,939.00

	\$2,719,638.00

Number of polls assessed in 1897, 1,842.

Tax on polls, \$2.00.

Rate per \$1,000, \$18.90.

H. T. BISHOP,

Assessor of Palmer.

FIRE APPROPRIATIONS FOR 1897.

For water,	\$1,200.00
Salaries of firemen,	400.00
Janitor,	96.00
Engineer,	50.00
Stoker,	20.00
Coal,	40.00
Contingencies,	200.00
Chief Engineer,	150.00
First Assistant,	25.00
Second Assistant,	20.00
Treasurer,	25.00

	\$2,226.00
Overlay,	95.95

	\$2,321.95

VALUATION OF FIRE DISTRICT.

Personal property,	\$161,123.00
Real estate,	846,512.00

	\$1,007,635.00

Rate per \$1,000, \$2.30.

H. T. BISHOP,

Assessor of Palmer.

JOHN O. HAMILTON, } Assessors
 ANDREW A. WARRINER, } of Palmer.

Town Clerk's Report.

RECORDED FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1897.

Number of births,	241
" deaths,	125
" marriages,	98
" marriage certificates issued,	95
" chattel mortgages,	35
" assignments of mortgages,	1
" notices of attachment,	6
" married woman's certificates,	2
" bill of sale,	1
" assignment of wages,	1
" notice of foreclosure,	1
" discharge of mortgage,	1

Respectfully submitted,

JAS. B. SHAW, *Town Clerk.*

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN 1897.

Jan. 3	Timothy.	Timothy and Mary Lane.
6	Wesley.	Christopher and Annie Mager.
6	—— Kennedy.	John and Mary Kennedy.
8	Blanche.	Peter and Lina Chabot.
9	Hilda Ruth.	William and Angie Twogood.
10	James Willis.	James O. and Edith L. Shaw.
10	Alfred E.	Arsene and Melina Paradis.
13	Marie.	Treffle and Minnie Maynard.
15	Ina.	Charles and Jane Colburn.

DATE.	NAME OF CHILD.	NAME OF PARENTS.
Jan. 17	Harry.	Threbaut and Marie Oestein.
18	Stanislas.	Joseph and Josie Shimoski.
18	Earl Reginald.	Charles A. and Mary L. Prescott.
19	Philomena.	Jacob and Doudeck F. Schultz.
22	Wilson.	John and Sarah McAdam.
23	Annie.	Alizzy and Agatha Bobek.
25	Olive Louisa.	Pearl and Annie Bacon.
27	Orton Henry.	Charles and Rosa McGarrett.
27	Bridget.	Jacob and Annie Teuczor.
28	Valisfor.	Douien and Mary Motyka.
29	Coralka.	—— and Mary Plepin.
29	William C. Jr.	William C. and Lucy Burnett.
Feb. 1	James D.	Charles A. and Hattie J. Royce.
1	William.	James and Katie Zablak.
1	John Preston.	George B. and Caroline Folsom.
6	Modeste.	Arthur and Evelyn H. Etee.
7	Earl R.	H. Albert and Alice Crofton.
8	Joseph.	Frank and Maggie Pozensky.
8	Annie.	Jerry and Matilda R. Barboy.
9	—— Potter.	Walter F. and Delia Potter.
13	Merrell Herbert.	Thomas and Sarah Fenton.
14	—— Lyper.	Sam and Karolina Lyper.
15	Mary.	William and Ellen Sullivan.
18	Francis Leroy.	Thomas and Mina Dwyer.
21	Mollie A.	Francis D. and Anna E. Barton.
22	—— Guay.	Henry and Minnie Lynch.
23	Marie A.	Joseph and Anna Peltier.
24	Mary Ella.	John and Mary Shea.
26	Aurorare.	Noe and Lina Boutillier.
Mar. 1	Beenistava.	Peter and Mary Whysga.
5	Albert.	Albert and —— Nictupsisky.
5	John.	Albert and Cora Gusc.
6	Ellen.	Dan and Julia Sullivan.
6	Agnes.	Joseph and Mary Romanaik.
7	Eva Viola.	George and Sophronia Rodgers.
7	Annie D.	Joseph and Annie Vere.
7	John.	Albert and Nellie Frydyk.

DATE.	NAME OF CHILD.	NAME OF PARENTS.
Mar. 7	Joseph.	Narcisse and Henrilia Rivet.
9	Alga.	Thomas and Matilda Samson.
11	Cecil Stanhope.	Daniel G. and Winfield Buskey.
12	Addy.	Philias and Zoe Dandelin.
15	Marie P.	John Jr. and Phœbe Beauregard.
15	Margaret I.	Pat and Annie Cavanaugh.
16	Tudick.	Jacob and Julia Luszey.
20	John P.	Bartholomy and Polina Pula.
20	Margaret.	James and Bridget Sullivan.
24	Peter.	Joseph and Alphonsina Kospinos.
28	Mary.	Michael and Annie Murphy.
28	Joseph.	Albert and Maggie Jakoski.
29	Dorothy.	George E. and Kate M. Buck.
31	James.	Patrick and Bridget Cavan.
Apr. 2	James E.	Thomas F. and Julia Hurley.
4	Julia.	Ludovic and Julia Bogatz.
6	Wilberta Merrell.	Wilbur H. and Mary Bliss.
7	Ruth Ellen.	Fred and Ameda Lyon.
7	Henry R.	Frank and Carrie Phaneuf.
9	Mary.	Louis and Mary Koravo.
10	Joseph A.	Eugene and Florianne Decoteau.
13	John.	Mic and Agnes Skirzmysrz.
13	Veronica.	John and Lena M. Kenworthy.
16	Elizabeth.	Daniel and Lizzie Sullivan.
16	Stanislas.	Stanislas and Konejonda Gucova.
17	Christopher.	John and Katie Garrihan.
18	Sophia.	Jasper and Amelia Banish.
20	Clifford.	Patrick and Mary Fitzgerald.
21	William.	John and Kate Costello.
26	Theresa May.	James and Nellie Sullivan.
30	Harriet.	Thomas and Maggie Cole.
May 1	Sophia.	Albert and Julia Seura.
2	Noe H.	Noe and Eugenie Monart.
3	Ruth Edith.	Walter and Eliza Trickett.
6	George.	Moise and Rosalie LaForrest.
7	Nina Belle.	Frank and Lena Lamb.
12	Katherine M.	Edward and Katherine Barnes.

DATE.	NAME OF CHILD.	NAME OF PARENTS.
May 12	Felix.	Xavier and Albina Belisle.
17	Peter.	Joseph and Caroline Beenall.
19	Peter.	Valenti and Franciska Dombroski.
21	Oriva.	George and Christiana Pleau.
21	Sarah M.	Samuel and Emily Burroughs.
22	— Gambriault.	August and Marie Gambriault.
22	Charles Howard.	Charles G. and Minnie Burnett.
24	Margaret Victoria.	Malcolm and Katie McKenzie.
24	Jenette Ann.	John and Isabella Longwill.
25	Beatrice May.	— and Sarah Henderson.
25	Stanislas.	Jacob and Annie Monrack.
27	Marie R.	Mederic and Anna Faucher.
29	Marie L.	Philias and Marie Beauregard.
29	William Thomas.	Patrick J. and Katherine Brown.
31	Henry.	Andros and Mary Neilson.
31	Sophia.	John and Paula Topur.
June 7	Orina.	Fred and Elizabeth Henrichon.
8	Ruth C.	Henry and Mary Dryden.
11	Alice.	Fred and Delphine Bresette.
11	George.	George and Rosanna Bourier.
14	Stanislas.	Antony and Apolina Whisgo.
15	Noe.	Ludger and Rosa Larivee.
16	Apolonia.	Joseph and Maria Koss.
17	Marie Leo.	Albert and Melina Mongeou.
17	Annie.	Joseph and Martina Crichock.
18	Charles A.	Mederic and Matilda Boutillier.
18	Catherine Veronica.	Patrick and Ellen Connor.
19	Stanislas.	Wycenty and Theresa Rys.
21	Earl Leroy.	Jesse and Medea Fitts.
22	James Albert.	Thomas and Nellie Cullen.
26	Francis.	Stanea and Bridget Zembo.
27	H. Beatrice.	Henry and Ellen Boergeson.
28	Marie A.	Cleodomis and Annie Paquette.
July 3	Armina.	Delphis and Melina Masson.
4	Frank Ernest	Alphonse and Caroline Rabidoux.
5	John.	Joseph and Mary Rouaski.
5	John.	John and Kate Pectz.

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July 6	Margaret.	Thomas and Margaret Brown.
7	Annie Lurika.	Kozio and Luvika Kozio.
10	Francis.	Michael and Annie Carrigan.
11	Stanislas.	Alogozy and Annie Ravus.
14	Abbie Irene.	Daniel and Johanna Lusty.
15	Lena G.	John F. and Winfred Lyman.
17	— Mann	Daniel and Phiekna Mann.
19	Viola M.	James and Annie Dullahan.
20	Marie F.	Ephraim and Anna Durand.
20	Wallace A.	George and Armida Roberts.
22	John.	Albert and Stanna Dicok.
23	— Richardson.	Wm. O. and Ida Richardson.
24	Kate.	Michael and Kate Collins.
25	Grace.	James and Faith McConaughey.
26	Rufus.	Fred and Emma Cranston.
26	Edith Ruth.	George and Ella Moore.
26	Marguerite.	George and Jennie Hollis.
26	Marie F.	Marcelle and Edmire Mayotte.
26	Pearl L.	Harvey and Carrie Chapman.
27	Lena.	John and Mary White.
30	Roger Cramer.	George S. and Katherine Holden.
31	Gary Shaw.	Frank E. and Nellie J. Elmer.
31	Louise Mae.	Clarence and Lillie Powers.
Aug. 3	Victoria.	Albert and Suza —
9	— O'Connor.	Daniel and Bridget O'Connor.
12	Dora.	John and Clara Ouirvet.
15	Armond.	Simon and Marie Cote.
17	Stanie.	Michael and Katie Butz.
17	Willard Scott.	Scott and Ada French.
21	— Taylor.	Wm. E. and Ida Taylor.
23	Mary.	Pitri and Sophia Lebida.
23	Marie A.	Peter and Rosie Brun.
24	Bonistowa.	Peter and Mary Transvadigwaf.
24	George.	Wm. E. and Mary McDonald.
25	Pearl V.	Walter and Elvira Shaw.
29	Vilisha.	Alex and Paulina Saback.

DATE.	NAME OF CHILD.	NAME OF PARENTS.
Aug. 30	Ralph Gates.	Leon and Hattie Bartlett.
31	Samuel John.	John and Matilda Matchett.
31	Charles O.	Horace and Sophrinie Messier.
Sept. 1	Bertha.	S. A. and Emma Ramsden.
1	James.	James and Catherine Hughes.
4	Michael.	Albert and Anna Wilk.
7	Louis P.	Louis and Maria Marien.
8	Mary.	Joseph and Agnes Walska.
8	— Juintal.	Arthur and Adile Juintal.
9	Apolonia.	Mathew and Adelina Avick.
9	Redmond J.	Will and Hannora Williams.
13	Samuel.	Charles M. and Theresa Holt.
13	Joseph N. Y.	Arthur and Olive Lord.
15	Frank.	Michael and Maggie Strepansky.
16	Charles Smith.	Charles and Sarah Norton.
17	Mary Elizabeth.	Thomas J. and Mary E. Boyle.
17	Alfred Aime.	Euclide and Delima Dugas.
18	Josephine.	Albert and Julia Bigala.
20	Mary.	Michael and Sophia Neijadik.
25	Adelia.	William and Delia Bovat.
25	Edith.	Thomas and Sarah Ritchie.
25	Annice.	Peter and Olivia Senechal.
27	Kate.	Henry and Mary Wistuba.
27	Eva.	William and Katie Farrell.
Oct. 5	Alice.	Richard and Lizzie Weir.
5	Ellen.	William and Kate Sullivan.
7	Edward Joseph.	Louis and Edna Perry.
9	Joseph E.	Gideon and Rosa Sampson.
12	S. Luella.	Albert and Luella Bogue.
12	Jacob.	Ludovick and Carolina Savierad.
13	Waltie.	Thomas and Bridget Mansfield.
14	Luella M.	Samuel E. and Annie Thayer.
15	William.	Alex and Elizabeth Smith.
16	William Albert.	William David and Mary A. Collins.
16	Fred Reuben.	Adrian and Ella M. Miller.
18	Josie.	John and Zophie Kroll.
19	Joseph I.	Isaac and Rosie Girouard.

DATE.	NAME OF CHILD.	NAME OF PARENTS.
Oct. 19	Charles.	Peter and Mary Cahill.
21	Sibyl Louise.	Eugene and Elsie Marcy.
22	Mary Ellen.	John and Nellie Manning.
23	Katherine.	George M. and Maud Gerrish.
24	Albert.	John and Caroline Cheplaska.
29	Perlin Elbert.	Willie T. and Etta Nash.
30	Julia.	Thomas D. and Mary Anna Callahan.
31	Alice.	James and Nellie Mansfield.
Nov. 4	Marie Eva.	Edmond and Eugenie Samson.
8	Clarence.	John and Malina Gebo.
9	—— Sullivan.	Lawrence and Bridget Sullivan.
9	John.	Jeremiah and Nellie Carmody.
10	Leo Edmond.	Michael and Annie Fenton.
15	Rose.	Henri and Rose Viens.
18	Alfred.	Jean and Louise Leclerc.
20	Vasdiso.	Michael and Mary Russack.
22	Stanislas.	Frank and Kate Scanokoski.
22	Helen Dennis.	Walter T. and Delia Kenerson.
23	Johanna.	Patrick and Bridget Kenmay.
27	Azelda.	Napoleon and Eliza Comfort.
27	Thaddea.	Albert and Annie Warchoulac.
28	Karzmicoz.	John and Annie Romanaik.
29	—— Mumford.	Charles and Lizzie Mumford.
30	Rose.	Michael and Zophia Motyka.
Dec. 4	John.	John and Katie Koch.
10	Edward.	John P. and Annie O'Connor.
11	Joseph A.	Joseph and Marie Cautin.
12	Helena M.	John and Mary Murphy.
13	William C.	Daniel and Martha O'Brien.
14	Wallace C.	Charles L. and Christiana Watts.
18	Esther.	Henry and Annie Thompson.
21	Henry R.	Joseph and Rose Gauthier.
21	Amanda.	Enriche and Clara Quimette.
22	Victoria.	John and Julia Joe czak.
23	—— Longwill.	James B. and Delia F. Longwill.
24	Adam.	Joseph and Victoria ——
25	John.	Joseph and Paula Begust.

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Dec. 25	Cleophas.	Joseph and Clixte Dagenais.
27	Leon.	France and Louise Genor.
27	Albert.	Albert and Julia Henrichon.
27	Adna Elvira.	Horace and Letty Paine.
27	Antonina.	Bartlomicj and Anna Trybuta.
29	Alphonsi Adile.	Jean Bte. and Alphonsine Boutolle.

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN 1897.

DATE.	GROOM.	RESIDENCE.	BRIDE.	RESIDENCE.
Jan. 1	Walter W. George,	Palmer,	Gertrude C. Jones,	Warren
1	Napoleon Hall,	Three Rivers,	Emma Bernic,	Three Rivers
2	Frank Harroder,	Three Rivers,	Mary Ropkeck,	Three Rivers
16	Pietr Kozisk,	Bondsville,	Victoria Wyckeskos,	Bondsville
16	Albert Orznluk,	Three Rivers,	Anna Albian,	Three Rivers
20	John P. Manion,	Palmer,	Mary E. Dawson,	Palmer
23	Kos,	Three Rivers,	Bazalipa Voudica,	Three Rivers
23	Tomasg Monkelski,	Three Rivers,	Aulonene Grosheski,	Three Rivers
23	Stanislans Charnbin,	Three Rivers,	Mary Sentkoski,	Thorndike
25	L. B. Swearingen,	Palmer,	Lelah M. Sharpe,	Palmer
30	Frank W. Aldrich,	Palmer,	Mary M. Chenerest,	Palmer
30	George Robinson,	Thorndike,	Alminna Smith,	Thorndike
30	Fred Bonville, .	Thorndike,	Georgia Beandin,	Thorndike
31	Elish Rovers,	Bondsville,	Anna Piechta,	Bondsville
Feb. 6	Wattsoff Spesbiliski,	Bondsville,	Sofia Gulda,	Bondsville
20	Joseph Btzeovecke,	Three Rivers,	Francesce Voucheske.	Three Rivers
21	Peter Mikoski,	Bondsville,	Neli Serepotu,	Bondsville
23	Jeremiah Cavanaugh,	Belchertown,	Mary Lynch,	Wilbraham
23	Patrick P. Nagle,	Haverhill,	Katie A. Kelley,	Thorndike
25	John T. Sullivan,	Belchertown,	Nellie Hartnett,	Three Rivers
27	C. Angus Hammberbeck,	Palmer,	Nellie Swensen,	Palmer
Mar. 2	Will L. Meacham,	Monson,	Maggie Eddy,	Monson
13	M. Scott French,	Palmer,	Ada M. Downey,	Palmer
17	Nathan H. Powers,	Brimfield,	Della L. Blodgett,	Palmer
17	Lewis G. Calkins,	Palmer,	Lucy P. Graves,	Palmer
23	Loren C. Trumble,	Palmer,	Florence M. Brnnett,	West Brookfield
31	Loren S. Bowen,	Brimfield,	Ida E. Butler,	Palmer
April 7	Benjamin W. Ayers,	Springfield,	Madeline Lavalley,	Springfield
14	George A. Jacobs,	Bondsville,	Lil ian M. Stackpole,	Lowell
17	Andrew Hallburg,	Palmer,	Amanda Johnson,	Palmer
21	Juary Bigos,	Three Rivers,	Apolonia Cipielka,	Three Rivers
May 8	Felix Murack,	Thorndike,	Murty Sipka,	Thorndike
12	Everett W. Carpenter,	Palmer,	Bertha B. Borden,	Palmer
19	Lyman W. Sheldon,	Palmer,	Mande E. Hadley,	Worcester
20	Jason Keith,	Thorndike,	Minnie A. Davis,	Palmer
22	Napoleon Comfort,	Palmer,	E'liza Watkinson,	Palmer
27	Job Atwood Dow,	New Haven, Ct.,	Emma B. Gordon,	Falmer
29	Joseph Washkavits,	Thorndike,	Rosa Zilifcoa,	Three Rivers
31	Edward Green,	Palmer,	Delia Dane,	Palmer

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June 5	John Peterson,	Palmer,	Mary Kinnevan,	Palmer
5	Michael Soka,	Three Rivers,	Anna Bogast,	Thorndike
9	Timothy J. O'Connor,	Worcester,	Elizabeth McManamy,	Palmer
11	Wilbur F. Tracy,	Worcester,	Grace M. Rhodes,	Palmer
15	Jerry P. Cronin,	West Warren,	Hannah E. Stokes,	Thorndike
22	Alphonse J. Henrichon,	Bondsville,	Edith A. Ives,	Bondsville
23	Arthur F. Smith,	Palmer,	Ida L. Bolles,	Wilbraham
23	Stanislow Totocki,	Thorndike,	Cheleena Tybraska,	Three Rivers
26	Anthony Wiga,	Bondsville,	Annie Bigda,	Bondsville
27	David Gebo,	Thorndike,	Louisa Zanto,	Thorndike
July 3	Peter Gernon,	Cambridge,	Mary Brouthers,	Palmer Center
3	Ignacy Mikoski,	Thorndike,	Balerina Barau,	Thorndike
7	Henry L. Pease,	Wales,	Fannie Harvey,	Palmer
17	Ludwig Sudeven,	Three Rivers,	Karoline Dziok,	Three Rivers
17	Jan Klockouski,	Three Rivers,	Mary Cupleurka,	Three Rivers
21	Silas B. Keith,	Palmer,	Hallie A. LaSelle,	Springfield
24	Joseph Pabijan,	Three Rivers,	Christino Zortee,	Thorndike
25	John W. Clew,	Palmer,	Mary E. Webb,	Palmer
27	Charles T. McCarthy,	Thorndike,	Margaret M. Longtine,	Thorndike
31	Arthur Quintal,	Thorndike,	Delia Goodreau,	Thorndike
Avg. 7	John Kujeoues,	Bondsville,	Zofie Kapinses,	Bondsville
14	Joseph Vendette,	Three Rivers,	Sara Chaguay,	Three Rivers
14	Samuel A. Ramsden,	Bondsville,	Emma E. Sharon,	Bondsville
17	George M. Darling,	Palmer,	Sadie A. Griffin,	Palmer
21	George R. Shaw,	Palmer,	Fannie Underwood,	Palmer
22	Edward E. Richards,	Palmer,	E'iza O'Brien,	Palmer
23	Charles F. Evans,	Bondsville,	Edith I. Hobson,	Palmer
28	Michael Palcziski,	Palmer,	Keolina Krohnol,	Thorndike
31	J. Hayden Stimson,	Palmer,	Mary Ella Brooks,	Princeton
Sept. 2	Martin M. Thomas,	Thorndike,	S. Beulah Thayer,	Thorndike
4	Maciez Kos,	Bondsville,	Caroline Miga,	Bondsville
8	George B. Williams,	Millbury,	Maude J. Murdock,	Thorndike
11	Albert Tinznok,	Bondsville,	Anila Kol,	Bondsville
11	William J. Rowe,	Bondsville,	Elizabeth Forbes,	Bondsville
23	Charles Crusnener,	Thorndike,	Florence Dedavits,	Adams
25	Auro Kitzki,	Bondsville,	Apoloni Crut,	Bondsville
25	Wirenty Modeveky,	Three Rivers,	Brunirtonia Gevirtok,	Three Rivers
28	W. R. Marsh,	Brandon, Vt.,	Mina L. Ball,	Palmer
29	Thomas A. Marshall,	No. Wilbraham,	Annie C. Lyons,	No. Wilbraham
Oct. 6	Henry Cadieu,	Palmer,	Celia Firkey,	Palmer
13	George Colgrove,	Palmer,	Agnes M. Place,	New London, Ct.
14	Edward W. Robinson,	Pittsfield,	Mary Thibdon,	Palmer
19	Edward J. Longtine,	Thorndike,	Rosealbert Chabot,	Three Rivers
20	Warren Dane,	Palmer,	Lena M. Tracy,	Palmer
23	John Dulinski,	Thorndike,	Corolinia Puzinc,	Thorndike
25	Smith S. Harrington,	New York,	Maria Butler,	Palmer
26	John F. Dewire,	Thorndike,	Sadie Obry,	Thorndike
26	Dennis Daley,	Thorndike,	Mary E. Crimmins,	Palmer
27	Geo. A. Hutchinson,	Thorndike,	Annie B. McKenzie,	Thorndike
Nov. 16	Thos. W. Harwood,	Palmer,	Lillie Crouch,	Palmer
17	William Barry,	Palmer,	Winnie Houghtey,	Barre
22	Edward Vigneau,	Thorndike,	Marie L. Maney,	Thorndike
23	John J. Conway,	Bondsville,	Margaret T. Shea,	Bondsville
25	Isaac Hubert,	Palmer,	Philomene Shepherd,	Chicopee
25	Alec Domniey,	Three Rivers,	Marie L. La Marche,	Three Rivers
Dec. 21	Henry R. Heath,	Palmer,	Jennie G. Wheeler,	Fort Ann, N. Y.
28	Osie Girouard,	Bondsville,	Mary Dechane,	Elchertown

DEATHS REGISTERED IN 1897.

DATE.	NAME.	CAUSE OF DEATH.	YRS.	MS.	DS.
Jan. 1	John Sullivan,	Diphtheria,	5		
2	Carry Stevens,	Heart failure,	66	8	
6	Thomas Zienba,	Ictures,	1	5	
8	Elise Dano,	Typhoid Pneumonia,	27		
8	Sophie Marteneau,	Croup,	4		
13	Charles Lane,	Convulsions,			10
14	Laura Pare,	Membranous Croup,	1	6	
16	J.Bte.AdelorBoutotte	Infantile Convulsions,			5
18	Michael Fleming,	Chronic Diarrhoea first, Phthisis Pumonalis second,			
			57		
20	Eva Touchette,	Aijue Peritonitis,	14		
24	Edwin N. Hale,	Fatty Degeneration of Heart,	73		
24	Brouistana Banash,	Meningitis,			10
25	Donatelle Camerlin,	Tabes Dorsalis,			68
Feb. 8	Mary Vilke,	Pneumonia,			6
9	— Potter,	Still born,			
10	Jonas Blodgett,	Chronic Rheumatic Ar- thritis,	75	0	21
11	John Coffee,	Phthisis,			36
11	Alice G. McCormick,	Infantile Convulsions,			6
19	Billy Szablak,	Congestion of the brain,			14
21	Ann Conway,	Dropsy,			68
22	Melissa C. Brown,	Pneumonia,	52	5	
24	Marana Blodgett,	Pneumonia,	79	3	19
26	Myra Dwyer,	Ulcerative Enteritis,			26
Mar. 1	John Beverby,	Tuberculosis,			35
3	Francis L. Dwyer,	Convulsions,			13
5	Edmond Hebert,	Eudocarditis Rheumat- ic,			17
8	Catherine Scannell,	Heart disease (old age)			85
9	John Frydyk,	Premature birth,			2
10	Patrick J. Moriarty,	Tuberculosis of lungs,			22
12	Maggie E. Grammo,	Not known,			3
16	Katie Romon,	Tabes Meseaterica,	1	1	

DATE.	NAME.	CAUSE OF DEATH.	YRS.	MS.	DS.
Mar 17	John Conrey,	Cardiac Dilatation,	91	5	10
18	P. B. Johnson,	Probably Apoplexy,	63		
31	Celina Boutillier,	Paralysis,	63		
Apr. 9	John Longwill,	Tuberculous Peritonitis,	35		
10	Adelaide Collis,	Apoplexy,	77		
12	Evelyn McKay,	Meningitis,	1	5	3
13	Thomas Hutchinson,	Chronic Bright's Disease,	82		
14	Anna Wylus,	Pneumonia,	6		
16	William Donovan,	Pneumonia,	50		
18	Wiktovyzion Misusnk	Phthisis,	29		
23	Catherine Healey,	Heart Disease,	78		
26	Wellington S. Bennett	Angina Pectoris,	51		
28	Patrick Mitchell,	Paresis,	58		
30	Rosanna Genard,	Pyæmia,	14	9	15
May 2	Clara B. Holbrook,	Cerebral Embolism,	72	2	16
6	Eddie Paradis,	Anæmia,		4	
10	Mary E. Goldsmith,	Tuberculosis,	64	11	2
18	Thomas Richmond,	Asthma and Heart Disease,	54		
20	Mary Mitchel,	Gastritis,	86		
22	— Gobreault,	Still born.			
23	Julia E. Warner,	Ulceration of bowels,	70		
23	David Dubois,	Broncho-Pneumonia,		5	1
23	Marie Menard,	Meningitis (Tubercular)		4	
24	Oralie Rivet,	Heart Disease,	40		
27	Nathan W. Bond,	Aneurism of Aorta, (Rupture and Hemorrhage),	45	0	4
28	Charles DeCoursey,	Consumption,	36	5	
June 2	Zophie Topur,	Premature birth,			3
13	Willie Viens,	Meningitis,	1		
17	Emelie Jibouleau,	Acute Phthisis,	40		
20	Ellen Jane Rowe,	Chronic Nephritis,	40		
22	John Motak,	Tuberculosis,	1	6	
25	Enrico Ant. Razzoali,	Capillary Bronchitis,	1	1	
27	John Skrzyniarz,	Cholera Infantum,	2	14	

DATE.	NAME.	CAUSE OF DEATH.	YRS.	MS.	DS.
Jun. 28	Joseph Rokoska,	General Eczema and Malnutrition,		3	
July 2	Betsey F. Aiken,	Pericarditis,	71	0	16
4	Frances E. Atwood,	Apoplexy,	62		
5	Patrick Sugrue,	Gastritis,	50		
5	Henry E. Bolton,	Cerebral Hemorrhage,	82	1	26
17	— Mann,	Still born.			
17	Fred E. Winter,	Tuberculosis,	36		
18	Charles D. Foster,	Apoplexy,	71		
23	Emma Samson,	Tuberculosis of the lungs,	23		
23	— Richardson,	Still born.			
30	John Kelliher,	R. R. Accident,	35		
Aug. 2	Polydor Morin,	Cholera Infantum,		7	
6	Azuba T. Fuller,	Cancer,	86	3	10
8	Lucinda T. Fuller,	Cancer,	76	6	13
9	Josepte Jasmin,	Old Age,	98		
9	— Connor,	Still born.			
11	S. Maria Anderson,	Hepatitis,	82	9	
21	Barbara Miller,	Softening of Brain,	73		
21	Armand Cote,	Infantile Debility,			7
27	Jeremiah Dutton,	Apoplexy,	75		
27	Johannes Nelson,	Dropsy,	82		8
Sept. 1	Estella G. Saunders,	Interstitial Hepatitis,		1	8
3	Margaret M. Sullivan,	Dentition Gastritis,		6	
5	Michael Wilk,	Congenital Heart Disease,			2
9	— Quintal,	Premature birth,			2
15	Thomas Franklin,	Diphtheria,	5		
15	William Kurtz,	Apoplexy,	78	9	
23	Josiah Gates,	Fatty Degeneration and Heart Disease,	78	2	
28	Hedvig B. Borgeson,	Cholera Infantum,		3	
Oct. 5	James Cowles,	Heart Disease — Dilatation,	85	8	23
10	Joseph Tiee,	Tuberculosis,		3	6
11	Nellie Lynch,	Phthisis,		21	

DATE.	NAME.	CAUSE OF DEATH.	YRS.	MS.	DS.
Oct. 11	Annie Wrul,	Pneumonia,			7
16	Eva Furkey,	Dentition—Inanition,			11
18	Asenath S. Brown,	Pneumonia,	82	9	
23	Andrew Stevenson,	Cardiac Dilatation,	77		
24	John Lynch,	Cerebral Hemorrhage, (Apoplexy),	66		
27	Joseph I. Girouard,	Inanition—Spasm,			8
31	George W. Lee,	La Grippe,	44	11	16
Nov. 1	Joseph H. Decoteau,	Tabes Mesenterica.			7
1	Alfred F. Shearer,	Locomotor Ataxia Paralysis,	54		
2	Abby T. Shaw,	Fatty Degeneration of Heart,	55	10	
2	Stephanie Cheatek,	Hemiplegia,	2		
4	James F. Dunn,	Typhoid Fever,	20		
9	— Sullivan,	Premature birth.			
9	Bridget Sullivan,	Pneumonia,	29		
11	Lyman C. Snow,	Heart Failure, Intermittent Fever,	60	3	28
13	Annis B. Senecal,	Pneumonia,			19
16	Johanna Farrell,	Cirrhosis—Chronic,	60		
24	John E. Sullivan,	Peritonitis,	25	4	
28	Marguerite O'Connor,	Pneumonia,			18
30	— Mumford,	Died at birth.			
Dec. 5	Wojciech Worsulack	Premature birth,			7
8	Ferdinand Dionne,	Accidentally burned,	8		
10	Eliza M. Orcutt,	Uremic Coma—Cancer,	57	3	
15	Johanna Kennedy,	Convulsions,			21
17	Wm. C. O'Brien,	Infantile Convulsions,			4
21	Henry Canterbury,	Cerebral Hemorrhage,	79	11	25
23	— Longwill,	Still born.			
26	Herbert E. Rhodes,	Consumption,	20	10	16
28	Louis B. Kendrick,	Heart Disease—Dilation,	68	3	14
29	Frank Babbitts,	Acute Albuminuria,	1	8	
31	John Kos,	Peritonitis,			1
2	C. (Hubbard) Fuller,	Pneumonia,	85	1	28

Treasurer's Report

OF THE RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE YEAR ENDING
MARCH 4, 1898.

Balance in Treasury March 4, 1897,	\$ 44.65
Received of State Treasurer, Corporation tax,	1,076.84
National Bank tax,	240.75
State and Military Aid,	1,058.50
Support State paupers,	292.04
Temporary support State paupers,	74.12
Burial State paupers,	68.00
Burial soldiers and sailors,	54.00
Income Mass. school fund,	231.28
County Treasurer, dog fund,	504.19
Palmer Savings Bank, loan in anticipation of taxes,	13,600.00
Palmer Savings Bank, Cemetery adddition,	3,000.00
7 Peddlers' licenses,	84.00
2 Pool licenses,	4.00
2 Auctioneer licenses,	4.00
4 Sewer licenses,	110.00
A. O. Allen, lockup fees,	5.50
A. E. Fitch, fines District Court,	167.02
4 Circus licenses,	37.00
Rent of pest house,	20.00
School tuition and supplies,	81.96
Town of Monson, school account,	122.00
Town of Monson, bridge account,	29.88
Town of Monson, pauper account,	4.00
Town of Brimfield, bridge account,	70.40
Town of Gardner, pauper account,	13.00
Town Hardwick, pauper account,	7.00

Town of West Boylston, pauper account,	\$ 23.09
City of Worcester, pauper account,	4.15
City of Springfield, pauper account,	225.60
City of Haverhill, pauper account,	4.75
Expenses aiding A. Shearer refunded,	4.00
Interest on Thompson fund,	40.83
Interest on Merrick fund,	34.34
Palmer and Monson Electric Railway Co.,	150.00
Legacy Mrs. Calista E. Hendrick, in trust,	100.00
Boston & Albany R. R., account abolition grade crossing,	4,270.50
State of Mass., account abolition grade crossing,	1,642.50
Parkinson & Burr, sale of 40 town bonds,	41,896.11
Liquor licenses,	10,204.00
H. A. Northrop, taxes 1895,	286.28
H. A. Northrop, taxes 1896,	1,500.00
H. A. Northrop, taxes 1897,	52,397.16

	\$133,787.44

EXPENDITURES.

Paid State Treasurer, State tax,	\$ 2,030.00
National Bank tax,	1,526.47
Liquor licenses,	2,551.00
County Treasurer, County tax,	3,980.46
Palmer Savings Bank, loan anticipation taxes,	13,600.00
Palmer Savings Bank, loan for cemetery addition,	3,000.00
Palmer Savings Bank, notes representing town debt,	44,275.00
Palmer Savings Bank, Interest,	2,456.46
State and Military aid,	1,346.33
Costs of District Court,	306.69
Outstanding orders,	320.93
Selectmen's orders,	28,266.84
Overseers of the Poor orders,	7,219.11
School Committee, pay roll,	20,975.77

	\$131,855.06
Balance in treasury,	1,932.38

	\$133,787.44

Respectfully submitted,

J. B. SHAW, *Treasurer.*

Selectmen's Report.

We, the undersigned, Board of Selectmen of the town of Palmer, make the following report of the affairs of the town that were intrusted to us for the year ending March 1, 1898:

The debt of the town March 1, 1897, according to the report of the Treasurer, was \$44,275. Since that time, in accordance with a vote of the town, additional land has been purchased for the cemetery at the Depot Village at an expense of \$3,000, this amount being borrowed from the Palmer Savings Bank, making the debt of the town \$47,275. By act of the Legislature and vote of the town we were authorized to issue bonds to the amount of \$40,000, the rate of interest not to exceed 4 per cent per annum. In response to an advertisement we received 17 bids for the loan, the highest of which, made by Boston parties, was 104 9-16, the premium amounting to \$1,825, and yielding the investor interest at the rate of 3.47 3-4 per cent per annum. We have also collected from the Boston and Albany Railroad and the State of Massachusetts, on account of the grade crossing changes at Blanchardville and Tenneyville, \$5.913. This amount, together with the premium on the bonds, was used to pay the debt in excess of the \$40,000, so that the town's indebtedness to-day is represented by forty one thousand dollar bonds bearing interest at the rate of 4 per cent per annum, and payable two each year until all are paid. There now remains in the treasury the sum of \$1,932.38, which should be appropriated for the same specific purpose at the

coming Town Meeting, so that there shall be no balance to carry forward on the books of the Treasurer.

BURLEIGH'S CROSSING.

A conference has been held with the officials of the Boston and Albany Railroad in regard to separating the grades, which resulted in an agreement to proceed with the work at once, and it is hoped that this dangerous crossing will be abolished this season.

FERRELL'S CROSSING.

The amount expended by the town to date for the separation of grades at this point is \$916.50. Probably one-half this amount will be returned when a final settlement is made.

REPAIRS ON HEARSE.

An appropriation of \$85 was made for painting the Hearse, but it was found upon examination that it needed new draperies, new axletrees, and another hearse to use while the present one was undergoing repairs, for which the appropriation was insufficient, consequently no money was used for this purpose.

CONTINGENCIES.

William Herran, services as precinct officer,	\$3.00
H. C. Newell, services as precinct officer,	3.00
Michael J. O'Connor, services as precinct officer,	3.00
David E. Tenney, services as precinct officer,	3.00
Richard F. Twiss, services as precinct officer,	3.00
Edward P. Brown, services as precinct officer,	3.00
James N. Trickett, services as precinct officer,	3.00
Thomas Fogarty, services as precinct officer,	3.00
H. A. Smith, services as precinct officer and returning box to Palmer.	4.00
Chas. E. Shumway, services as precinct officer,	3.00

P. J. Fitzgerald, services as precinct officer,	\$ 3.00
Lewis R. Holden, services as precinct officer,	3.00
William Brown, services as precinct officer,	3.00
John Costello, services as precinct officer,	3.00
Thomas W. Mansfield, services as precinct officer,	3.00
Harry L. Ryther, services as precinct officer,	3.00
W. A. Weld, services as precinct officer,	3.00
H. S. Hobson, services as precinct officer,	3.00
A. Louis Warriner, services as precinct officer,	3.00
J. Stever Knox, services as precinct officer,	3.00
W. F. Waite, services as precinct officer.	3.00
W. P. French, services as precinct officer,	3.00
Ed J. Lynch, services as precinct officer,	3.00
J. Austin Hawkes, services as precinct officer,	3.00
J. J. Kelley, services as precinct officer,	3.00
D. F. Sullivan, services as precinct officer,	3.00
Charles F. Mooers, services as precinct officer,	3.00
William Kerrigan, services as precinct officer,	3.00
Frank Hamilton, services as precinct officer,	3.00
Thomas J. Hutchinson, services as precinct officer,	3.00
Michael E. Keefe, services as precinct officer,	3.00
M. M. Thomas, services as precinct officer,	3.00
A. O. Allen, care of lockup March 1897,	8.00
Palmer Water Co., water for Main street tank,	8.00
John W. Loftus, returning deaths,	6.50
J. Stever Knox, services with hearse,	26.00
James F. Loftus, pencils for precinct,	.50
John F. Loftus, team to carry ballots and box to Palmer,	1.00
Gardner & Gardner, legal services to registrars, 1896,	20.00
Horace R. Paine, putting up and returning booths,	7.00
Hattie E. Plumley, rent of telephone at G. A. Bills',	12.00
C. B. Fiske & Co., town reports, postage, etc.,	177.80
John O'Connor, care of Town House,	4.00
M. J. Sullivan, rent of hall for voting place,	8.00
Thomas Roche, opening 13 graves,	26.00
A. O. Allen, care of lockup, April,	8.00
J. Stever Knox, services with hearse,	22.00
J. Stever Knox, opening 1 grave,	2.00
Thos. J. Dwyer, services as registrar of voters,	15.00

J. F. Twiss, team to carry ballots and box to Palmer,	\$ 1.00
O. C. Marcy, teams for selectmen,	2.75
O. W. Studley, services July 4 and looking after highway-men,	6 00
Rev. Jos. Marchand, opening 11 graves,	22.00
A. O. Allen, care of lockup May, and glass,	9.50
Chas. S. Rugglas, opening 2 graves,	4.00
Clark W. Bryan, order book for selectmen,	6.75
Geo. A. Bills, services 4 firemen at Dumplin,	11.00
J. Stever Knox, services with hearse,	24.00
J. Stever Knox, opening 4 graves,	8.00
S. H. Hellyar, services as auditor. 1896,	10.00
Wm. R. Goldsmith, expense burial wife,	35.00
A. O. Allen, care of lockup, June,	8.00
J. S. Knox, services with hearse, June,	14.00
B. Woodhead, pictures in Coleman case,	3.00
H. T. Bishop, supplies for assessors,	5.75
C. B. Fiske & Co., advertising selectmen's notice,	.50
John E. Squair, cleaning Town House for special meeting,	1.00
A. O. Allen, care of lockup, July,	8.00
J. Stever Knox, services with hearse, July,	18.00
J. Stever Knox, opening 3 graves,	6.00
Young Men's Social Club, rent of hall for voting place,	8.00
Charles S. Ruggles, opening 6 graves,	12.00
A. A. Warriner, services as assessor,	175.00
John O. Hamilton, services as assessor,	175.00
H. T. Bishop, services as assessor to August 1,	200.00
A. O. Allen, care of lockup, August,	8.00
Charles K. Ganwell, services as auditor 1896,	10.00
Thos. W. Kenefick, services on Coleman case,	75.00
Charles S. Ruggles, opening 5 graves, August,	10.00
Thorndike Co., supplying water tub one year,	5.00
J. Stever Knox, services with hearse, August,	22.00
" " opening one grave, August,	2.00
C. B. Page, labor and material, water pipe Four Corners cemetery,	3.61
A. O. Allen, care of lockup, September,	8.00
J. Stever Knox, services with hearse, September,	14.00

J. Stever Knox, opening one grave, September,	\$ 2.00
Samuel Brown, supplying water tub to Sept. 1, 1897,	5.00
C. B. Fiske & Co., advertising and printing for selectmen and assessors,	53.75
Leslie H. Hendee, reporting births,	2.75
Thomas Roche, opening 14 graves,	28.00
C. B. Fiske & Co., notice to voters, assessors' notices, etc.,	11.88
J. Stever Knox, services with hearse, October,	18.00
" " opening 3 graves, October,	6.00
Charles N. Coleman, guide board,	1.00
W. H. Brainerd, labor on guide posts,	2.00
A. O. Allen, care of lockup, October,	8.00
Charles F. Place, supplying water tub to Nov. 1, 1897,	5.00
F. A. Ruggles, precinct officer November 1897,	3.00
William Herran, precinct officer November 1897,	3.00
R. F. Twiss, precinct officer November 1897,	3.00
Michael J. O'Connor, precinct officer November 1897,	3.00
David E. Tenney, precinct officer November 1897,	3.00
James H. Trickett, precinct officer November 1897,	3.00
James J. Manning, precinct officer November 1897,	3.00
Ed P. Brown, precinct officer November 1897,	3.00
J. J. Kelley, precinct officer November 1897,	3.00
D. F. Sullivan, precinct officer November 1897,	3.00
M. M. Thomas, precinct officer November 1897,	3.00
Charles F. Mooers, precinct officer November 1897,	3.00
William Kerigan, precinct officer November 1897,	3.00
Frank Hamilton, precinct officer November 1897,	3.00
Thomas J. Hutchinson, precinct officer November 1897,	3.00
W. A. Weld, precinct officer November 1897,	3.00
W. R. Milligan, precinct officer November 1897,	3.00
J. A. Hawkes, precinct officer November 1897, .	3.00
Chas. K. Gamwell, precinct officer November 1897,	3.00
J. Stever Knox, precinct officer November 1897,	3.00
Michael E. Keefe, services as precinct officer November,	3.00
Henry S. Hobson, services as precinct officer November,	3.00
Ed J. Lynch, services as precinct officer November,	3.00
W. P. French, services as precinct officer November,	3.00
H. A. Smith, services as precinct officer and team,	4.00
Chas. E. Shumway, services as precinct officer November,	3.00

Morris Moriarty, services as precinct officer November,	\$ 3.00
John Costello, services as precinct officer November,	3.00
H. L. Ryther, services as precinct officer November,	3.00
Lewis R. Holden, services as precinct officer November,	3.00
P. J. Fitzgerald, services as precinct officer November,	3.00
Thomas W. Mansfield, services as precinct officer November,	3.00
Rev. Joseph Marchand, opening 16 graves,	32.00
R. L. Bond, rent of Exchange Hall for voting place,	8.00
Charles S. Ruggles, opening 3 graves,	6.00
Horace R. Paine, putting up and returning booths,	8.00
Michael Sullivan, rent of Liberty Hall for voting place,	8.00
C. J. Foley, care of Town Hall for Republican caucus,	1.00
J. Stever Knox, opening 3 graves,	6.00
" " services with hearse, November,	22.00
A. O. Allen, care of lockup, November,	8.00
John F. Loftus, team to carry ballot box, and pencils, books, etc.,	1.65
New England Tel. and Tel. Co., rent of telephone at G. A. Bills',	12.00
C. A. Brown & Co., supplies and material, engine house,	4.89
J. Stever Knox, services with hearse, Dec.,	18.00
" " opening one grave,	2.00
A. O. Allen, care of lockup, Dec.,	8.00
Chas. F. Smith, services as cattle inspector,	53.60
Dr. G. Lafountaine, reporting 37 births,	9.25
Dr. J. C. Boulay, reporting 78 births,	19.50
Dr. L. H. Hendee, reporting 5 births,	1.25
Chas. S. Ruggles, rent of hall, repairs on Town House, opening one grave,	15.95
Oliver LaSalle, reporting 18 deaths,	4.59
Thomas Roche, opening 13 graves,	26.00
Geo. B. Kenerson, repairing water pipe, library building,	3.75
J. Stever Knox, services with hearse, Jan. '98,	18.00
" " repairs on hearse,	1.00
A. O. Allen, care of lockup, Jan. '98,	8.00
E. C. Sexton, painting, etc., on case for weights and seals,	3.83
J. P. Schneider, M. D., reporting 20 births to Jan. '98,	5.00
C. B. Fiske & Co., printing 40 town bonds,	25.00
S. H. Brown, moving cabinet of weights and measures,	1.25

E. W. Phinney, inspecting slaughtered beef, swine and sheep,	\$ 80.85
E. W. Burns, services as registrar of voters to May, '98,	15.00
Dr. W. H. Bliss, reporting 32 births for 1897,	8.00
Thos. W. Kenefick, cash paid to Boston Daily Advertiser for advertising bond sale,	12.00
A. O. Allen, care of lockup, February,	8.00
G. K. Wilkins, M. D., reporting 30 births, 1897,	7.50
James B. Shaw, recording marriages, births and deaths,	166.20
James B. Shaw, services as town treasurer,	50.00
James B. Shaw, services as registrar of voters,	15.00
James B. Shaw, cash paid out for express,	5.00
James B. Shaw, cash paid L. B. Brooks for Blank Bonds,	9.50
James B. Shaw, cash paid W. R. Warren, License Blanks,	6.50
W. H. Brainerd, services on Coleman case,	8.00
James J. Manning, serving dog warrant,	7.00
John P. Eastman, posting town warrant,	5.00
H. A. Smith, M. D., reporting 32 births,	8.00
H. G. Loomis, reporting 36 deaths,	9.00
W. E. Stone, goods for lockup,	4.41
Geo. A. Bills, services as chief engineer,	50.00
Geo. A. Bills, services 3 firemen brush fire,	6.00
J. Stever Knox, services with hearse, February,	16.00
J. M. Allen, drawing engine to station for Warren fire,	3.00
S. Leach, labor on engine house,	1.09
H. R. Paine, services as registrar of voters to May,	15.00
Thos. W. Kenefick, cash paid Robt. O. Morris, for copies of decree of Ferrell's Crossing and recording,	10.50
H. A. Northrop, to posting town warrants, 1896,	20.00
“ “ serving dog warrants, 1896,	7.00
“ “ services and expenses hunting highwaymen,	6.60
“ “ collector of taxes, 1895,	350.00
John P. Eastman, posting town warrant, Nov. '97,	5.00
Charles S. Ruggles, labor and material repairing Town House,	72.02
Charles S. Ruggles, opening 3 graves,	6.00
Palmer Savings Bank, rent of lockup, etc.,	90.00
John F. Twiss, services as selectman,	150.00
“ “ cash paid for stamps and express,	5.00

Chas. T. Brainerd, services as selectman,	140.00
George M. Atkins, services as selectman,	140.00
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Thos. W. Kenefick, services for year ending March 1st, 1896, services at Boston and otherwise, legalizing town meeting,	15.00
Services at Boston, State road,	10.00
	— — —
	\$25.00
Services two days before county com- missioners in opposition to Brim- field petition for new road at Blanch- ardville,	15.00
Drafting town warrant for year,	10.00
Advice to town officials,	50.00
	— — —
	\$75.00
Jun 24 Thos. W. Kenefick, services during town year ending March 1st, 1897, services at Worcester about State road,	5.00
Expense, car fare 1.80, telegram.25,	2.05
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	\$7.05
July 9 Services at Boston about grammar school building at Palmer Depot and Three Rivers and about State road, 10.00, expense, 5.00,	15.00
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	\$15.00
Aug. 7 Services at Boston with Chief Wade, about school buildings at Palmer Depot and Three Rivers,	10.00
Expenses,	5.00
Drafting town warrant for the year,	10.00
Advice to town officials and general services,	50.00
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	\$75.00

Thos. W. Kenefick, to services during the year ending March 1st, 1898, as follows:

Aug. 20 and 21, to services at Boston, Leominster and Sterling on Burpee case,	15.00
Expenses,	6.00
Services on Dupont case,	30.00
Cash expense Dupont case,	5.00

	\$56.00
Nov. 29 Services at Boston about decree in matter of Blanchardville and other crossings,	10.00
Expenses,	4.00
Drafting town warrants for the year,	10.00
Advice to town officials and general services,	50.00
Cash paid clerk of courts Morris for copy of Auditors' Report certified,	.75
Henry D. Converse, storing roller and scraper, 1896-97,	18.00
F. F. Marcy, lumber for shed for storage of road machinery,	16.52
John W. Brainard, labor on shed for storage of road machinery,	22.50

	\$129.77

	\$3,865.45

HIGHWAYS.

The Superintendent of Streets, in his report to the Selectmen, gives as a reason for the excess of expenditures over appropriations that a large amount of the appropriation was used in the earlier part of the season, and on account of the heavy rains that prevailed soon after the work was completed it was found necessary to go over a second time. The largest individual expenditures were as follows: Wilbraham

Road, \$600; Forest Lake to Ware line, \$200; Bonds-ville to Four Corners, \$300.

Appropriation— \$4,500.00

John F. Loftus, man and team,	\$13.75
Ed McKelligott, labor,	6.00
Jerry Sugrue,	6.00
P. McGuire, Jr.,	4.50
Joseph Merriam,	4.50
W. Murphy,	8.25
P. Murphy,	4.50
Peter Ditto, man and team,	7.00
J. Dowd,	3.00
Dan Haley,	3.75
O. E. Butler,	8.25
H. Wilcox,	7.50
S. W. Stanchfield, man and team,	8.00
J. A. Hamilton, man and team,	12.00
Chas. T. Brainerd, man and team,	34.00
Ed J. Lynch,	4.50
J. O'Connor,	1.50
F. Elmer,	16.00
A. Miller,	16.00
N. St. John,	6.00
E. Shorley,	6.00
H. Wilcox,	2.25
M. Finnerty,	2.25
Henry Connor,	4.50
Louis Barker, man and team,	20.00
John Lehan,	22.50
Ed P. Brown,	21.00
Dan Connor,	21.00
John Connor,	21.75
John Ritchie,	22.50
John F. Twiss,	53.00
O. S. Howland,	13.50
John Jones,	13.50
Geo. A. Smith,	36.00
John Daley,	44.00

Samuel Brown,	\$28.00
Reuben Lamb,	10.50
Dan Crimmins,	10.50
Patrick Crimmins,	1.50
John Jones,	9.00
John F. Loftus,	44.00
Ed McKelligott,	16.50
Jerry Sugrue,	16.50
Andrew Brosnahan,	10.50
Mike Murphy,	16.50
Patrick Hurley,	16.50
Michael Molloy,	9.00
Maurice McCormick, labor,	3.45
John F. Loftus,	16.50
Mike Flynn.	1.50
Jerry Sugrue,	3.38
Ed Webber,	3.38
George D. Whiting, man and team,	11.25
Ed Webber,	3.38
H. W. Stimson,	2.00
W. A. Sherman,	55.85
John Conlon,	6 00
— Bowen,	4.50
William Murphy,	10.50
Dan Haley,	16.50
O. E. Butler,	9.00
Joseph Merriam,	12.00
H. Wilcox,	18.00
P. Kanavan,	9.00
Ed J. Lynch, Jr.,	16.50
S. W. Stanchfield, man and team,	44.00
H. C. Isard, gravel,	13.80
Chas. T. Brainerd, man and team,	52.00
J. A. Hamilton, man and team,	44.00
Patrick Murphy,	10.50
Chas. T. Brainard, part service as superintendent,	100.00
C. S. Graham, labor,	11.25
John Conlon,	16.50
C. T. Brainerd, man and team,	54.00

S. W. Stanchfield, man and team,	\$60.00
J. A. Hamilton, man and team,	56.00
E. J. Lynch, Jr.,	30.00
H. Wilcox,	26.25
Jos. Merriam,	22.50
Daniel Haley,	19.50
Wm. Murphy,	21.00
Patrick Murphy,	18.00
J. F. Holbrook,	21.00
Jos. A. Allen,	17.20
P. M. Shearer,	27.00
Jerry Dowd,	4.50
P. Kinnevan,	4.50
J. T. Chalk,	9.20
Dan Sugrue,	5.25
John F. Loftus, man and team,	77.00
Daniel Shea,	5.25
John Daily, man and team,	64.00
Geo. Mooers,	24.00
Ed. McKelligott,	27.75
Jerry Sugure,	24.75
Andrew Brosnahan,	16.50
Mike Murphy,	24.37
Patrick Murphy,	24.00
Mike Malloy,	23.25
Chas. McCarty,	6.00
T. D. Potter & Co., tools,	1.95
John F. Twiss, man and teams,	73.75
Louis Barker, man and teams,	42.00
W. F. Fillmore, man and teams,	34.00
John O'Connor,	21.75
John Ritchie,	21.75
Henry Connor,	17.25
Daniel Connor,	20.25
Ed P. Brown,	17.25
Jos. Fenton,	3.75
John Lehan,	21.75
B. J. Avery,	4.50
E. Shorley,	18.00

Adrian Miller, man and team,	\$41.00
Nelson St. John,	18.00
Frank Elmer, man and team,	44.00
Joe Commins,	10.50
Edward Fountain, labor,	5.25
Chas. Dimo,	10.50
Geo. D. Whiting, man and team,	16.00
Samuel St. John, labor,	10.50
John S. Jones,	6.00
M. Monahan,	16.50
W. S. Whiting, man and teams,	151.20
Geo. A. Smith, man and teams,	16.00
John Dunn, labor,	12.00
Wm. Lusty,	17.25
John Grady,	3.00
John Fenton,	9.00
John Oreymet,	11.25
Samuel Brown, labor and team,	40.00
Andrew Neilson, labor,	14.00
John Lynch,	11.25
Ed Carsh,	3.00
Reuben Lamb,	15.00
Geo. Lamb,	15.00
Daniel Crimmins,	15.00
Michael St. John,	1.50
M. Shea,	27.75
Daniel Kee, labor,	9.00
Dan Connor,	10.50
Ed P. Brown,	4.50
M. Sullivan,	1.50
Geo. Roberts,	12.00
H. Calkins,	6 90
Dan Sugrue,	12.00
John F. Twiss,	58.00
John Connor,	21.00
Daniel Connor,	21 75
John Lehan,	21.75
John Ritchie,	21.00
Ed P. Brown,	12.75

Henry Connor,	\$ 9.75
John Lynch,	19.20
Reuben Lamb,	4.50
Samuel Brown,	12.00
Charles T. Brainerd,	24.00
E. J. Lynch,	15.00
Daniel Shea,	9.00
George Simmons,	6.00
Daniel Crimmins,	4.50
George Lamb,	4.50
Mrs. John Dunn,	13.80
R. L. Bond, gravel,	3.75
H. Barber, labor,	7.50
John Ouymet,	7.20
M. Monahan,	4 95
Daniel Kee,	10.20
William Murphy,	1.50
John Moriarty,	.60
John Dunn,	2.40
John Grady,	9 00
Daniel Connor,	6.45
Mike Shea,	12.00
John Fenton,	19.20
William Lusty,	.75
W. S. Whiting,	91.20
A. Miller,	21.50
Frank Elmer,	24.00
T. Gervan,	5.70
N. St. John,	9.00
S. St. John,	10.50
C. Dimo,	10.50
E. Shorley,	10.50
Joseph Kerigan,	42.45
John Jones,	6.00
George A. Smith,	12.00
George Lamb,	4.50
Ed McKelligott,	12.00
J. W. Miller, team,	8.00
George D. Whiting, team,	32.00

John F. Loftus, team,	\$ 3.00
Ed McKelligott,	1.50
Louis Nephew,	1.50
Jerry Sugrue,	1.50
P. M. Shearer, team,	12.00
Mike St. John,	.75
Charles Hamilton,	.75
Daniel Crimmins,	3.00
Purlin Bacon,	3.75
George Lamb,	3.00
Samuel Brown,	10.00
F. Elmer,	8.00
G. Stearns,	3.00
C. Dimo,	3.00
E. Shorley,	6.00
J. W. Brainerd,	2.50
Fred Dockery,	3.00
Maurice McCormick,	4.50
Michael Murphy,	6.00
Edward McKelligott,	6.00
Mike Flynn,	4.50
John F. Loftus, 2 men and team,	11.75
Jos. Kerigan, men and team,	86.82
John O'Counor, labor,	7.87
John Lehan,	7.87
Edward P. Brown,	4.50
John Ritchie,	6.00
Daniel Conner,	8.25
W. F. Fillmore, man and team,	8.00
John F. Twiss, man and team,	34.20
W. S. Whiting, man and team,	4.40
John Lynch,	8.25
Oswald Gevaix,	6.00
M. Sullivan,	1.50
F. Holdsworth,	3.00
S. W. Stanchfield, man and team,	8.00
John Powers, labor,	6.00
P. Murphy,	4.50
E. J. Lynch, Jr.,	6.00

O. E. Butler,	\$ 3.00
C. T. Brainerd.	20.00
C. T. Brainerd, part services as superintendent,	100.00
T. J. Chalk, gravel,	18.55
John Fenton, labor,	.75
John Dunn,	3.15
Daniel Kee,	3.30
W. S. Whiting, labor and team,	49.40
John Lynch,	5.25
Michael Shea,	6.75
Maurice Monyhan,	6.00
John Oymet,	3.00
Louis Nephew,	3.00
Mike Flynn,	6.75
J. F. Loftus, man and team,	12.00
E. A. Buck & Co., material,	3.84
Andrew Brosnan,	6.75
Maurice McCormick,	1.50
Daniel Shea.	1.13
Geo. D. Whiting,	6.75
J. M. Allen,	4.00
Pat Connor,	3.00
M. Healey, repairing tools,	6.65
J. W. Loftus, labor,	3.00
Ed P. Brown,	1.50
John Ritchie,	1.50
J. F. Twiss,	15.00
M. A. Sherman,	8.80
Andrew Brosnahn,	3.00
Ed McKelligott,	4.50
John F. Loftus,	8.00
John Lynch,	7.80
John Fenton,	6.30
W. S. Whiting,	32.05
Dan'l Crimmins,	7.50
Dan'l Connor,	1.50
John Kennedy,	4.20
Dan'l Kee,	1.50

John F. Twiss, man and team,	\$ 8.00
John Ritchie,	3.00
Daniel Connor,	3.00
John Connor,	3.00
John Lehan,	1.50
M. Flynn,	.75
Leon Henrichon,	3.30
M. J. Dillon, damage to wagon,	4.95
E. A. Buck & Co., dynamite, caps, etc.	7.19
Jos. Kerigan, Jr., man and team,	4.00
Oswald Gervais, labor,	4.50
Edgar Gervais,	3.00
Jos. St. John,	3.00
John F. Twiss, man and team,	8.00
P. Murphy, labor,	12.00
W. Murphy,	1.50
C. T. Brainerd, man and team,	24.00
Dan Haley,	3.00
John F. Twiss, man and team,	4.00
Louis Barker,	4.00
John Lehan, labor,	2.25
Frank Connor,	6.00
M. B. Foley,	3.00
John Ritchie,	3.00
Thomas Ritchie,	2.25
Geo. A. Smith,	8.00
John Jones,	3.00
Tim Crimmins,	3.00
H. M. Kendall,	7.75
W. S. Whiting, man and team,	41.20
Samuel Brown, man and team,	8.40
Perlin Bacon,	3.15
Reuben Lamb,	2.85
Timothy Crimmins,	2.85
Eugene Shorley,	9.00
Michael St. John,	7.50
Geo. Stearns,	7.50
Frank Elmer,	20.00
A. Girouard, sharpening tools,	3.35

Jos. Kerigan, labor,	\$ 3.10
Peter Ditto, man and team,	8.00
Albert Millett, man and team,	10.00
C. T. Brainerd, man and team,	6.00
C. A. Brown & Co., tools, etc.,	14.93
J. B. Woodard, painting guide boards,	3.50
John McGrath, sharpening tools,	2.80
John F. Loftus,	4.00
E. Shorley, breaking out roads,	5.25
Geo. Stearns, breaking out roads,	4.35
Adrian Miller, breaking out roads,	7.20
Frank Elmer, breaking out roads,	11.60
Con Foley, labor,	.75
Henry Connor, labor,	.75
John Connor, labor,	.75
Frank Connor,	.75
John Ritchie,	.75
John F. Twiss, man and team,	2.00
Sam'l Brown, breaking out roads,	4.40
C. T. Brainerd, breaking out roads,	2.00
C. J. Foley, breaking out roads,	2.62
John Lehan, breaking out roads,	1.87
E. McKelligott, breaking out roads,	6.00
John F. Crowley, drawing stone to tramp room,	4.00
Eugene Shorley, breaking out roads,	2.50
H. M. Kendall, breaking out roads.	1.50
Geo. D. Whiting, breaking out roads,	5.70
M. Healy, repairing tools,	4.65
Frank Elmer, breaking out roads,	4.35
Geo. A. Smith, breaking out roads,	9.80
Samuel Brown,	1.50
W. S. Whiting,	15.75
Chas. R. Shaw,	2.55
P. M. Shearer,	1.00
B. F. Emery,	10.70
M. Sullivan,	.75
Jos. Kerigan,	3.57
R. S. Hastings,	.70
J. E. Butler,	1.50
Timothy Keefe, shoveling snow,	1.50
Chas. T. Brainerd,	50.00
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	\$4,599.87

BRIDGES.

Upon examination of the figures it will be found that this account has been overdrawn \$145.87. This is accounted for as follows:—Because of the failure of the retaining wall of the Commercial street bridge in the Depot village, caused by the high water of last spring, and the cost of the canal bridge at Three Rivers being somewhat larger than expected, although in the latter case we consider the money economically expended, as we secured a bridge whereby the cost of maintenance is reduced to a minimum, as there is no planking or wood of any kind connected with the bridge, with the single exception of the sidewalks.

Appropriation—	\$1,700.00
Andrew Brosnahan, labor on bridges,	\$ 6.00
Daniel Shea, labor on bridges, Thorndike,	7.50
Con J. Leary, labor on bridges, Thorndike,	7.50
Warren Trumble, labor on bridges, Thorndike,	8.25
John Murphy, labor on bridges, Thorndike,	9.00
Daniel Crimmins, labor on bridges, Thorndike,	9.00
Chas. N. Coleman, labor on bridges, Thorndike,	15.00
John W. Brainerd, labor on bridges, Thorndike,	15.00
Joseph M. Allen, lumber for Thorndike and Burleigh,	230.74
S. Leach, labor on Burleigh bridge,	17.50
C. N. Coleman, labor on Burleigh bridge,	17.50
J. W. Brainerd, labor on Burleigh bridge,	17.50
Daniel Crimmins, labor on Burleigh bridge,	8.25
Patrick Crimmins, labor on Burleigh bridge,	6.00
Daniel Shea, labor on bridges, Thorndike,	2.25
John Murphy,	2.25
Andrew Brosnahan,	3.75
Con J. Leary,	2.25
T. D. Potter & Co., lumber, Burleigh,	75.57
John McGrath, blacksmithing for Thorndike,	7.30
F. F. Marcy, lumber,	27.03
H. Sherman,	1.50
F. E. Hillman, agent C. V. R. R., freight on stone,	13.33

John Lehan, labor, Three Rivers canal bridge,	\$ 4.20
John O'Connor, labor, Three Rivers canal bridge,	4.20
Dan Connor, labor, Three Rivers canal bridge,	4.20
Alex Dominy, Jr., labor, Three Rivers canal bridge,	4.20
Joseph Fenton, labor, Three Rivers canal bridge,	4.95
John F. Twiss, man and team drawing stone,	4.00
W. F. Fillmore, man and team drawing stone,	4.00
J. M. Allen, plank for Commercial street,	26.10
L. J. Brainerd, care of lanterns, Commercial street,	3.80
Richard Coyer, setting curbing, Three Rivers bridge,	4.00
Daniel Matterson, labor, Commercial street,	2.25
Ed Carey, labor, Commercial street,	11.25
Thomas Edmunds,	1.50
Oscar Howland,	15.00
Edwin King,	16.05
Albert King,	32.10
W. A. Thompson,	32.00
W. N. Flynt Granite Co., stone and labor Three Rivers canal bridge,	150.34
John O'Connor, labor Three Rivers canal bridge,	18.30
Daniel Connor, labor Three Rivers canal bridge,	18.30
John Lehan, labor Three Rivers canal bridge,	20.25
John F. Twiss, men and teams drawing gravel,	12.00
Collins & Norton, Agts., canal bridge, Three Rivers,	690.00
Chas. D. Holbrook, 24 bbls. Portland cement, Three Rivers,	64.80
J. F. Holbrook & Son, 2 men, team, Commercial street,	11.82
Jos. M. Allen, labor and team, Commercial street,	4.40
Chas. P. Haynes, plank, etc., Three Rivers,	17.59
Ed P. Brown, labor, Three Rivers,	6.00
John Ritchie, labor, Three Rivers,	6.75

Palmer Mill, two-thirds bbl. cement,	\$ 2.33
Town of Monson, half cost material and labor,	
Blanchardville,	31.87
Leon Henrichon, labor on sidewalk,	9.95
Teles Bosquet, labor on bridges,	2.38
F. F. Marcy, lumber, bridges,	5.49
Joseph Kerigan, plank and labor,	21.50
C. A. Brown & Co., spikes for bridges,	14.50
John Wilson, spikes and nails for bridges,	3.74
Chas. P. Haynes, plank, etc.,	5.50
Chas. T. Brainerd, labor and material,	4.25
S. Leach, labor and material,	1.90
A. M. Bond, material,	3.14
J. W. Brainerd, labor,	1.00
George D. Mooers, labor and material, Dutton,	4.00
Chas. T. Brainerd, labor,	30.00
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	\$1,845.87

SEWERS AND CULVERTS.

Appropriation—	\$400.00
John Daily, labor on culverts,	\$ 8.00
Samuel Rrown, labor on culverts,	1.50
Daniel Crimmins, labor on culverts,	1.50
C. J. Leary, labor on culverts,	40.50
Timothy Daily, labor on culverts,	7.50
Daniel Shea, labor on culverts,	12.75
O. R. F. Smith, labor on culverts,	6.00
Timothy Crowley, labor on culverts,	.50
Bryan O'Rourke, labor on culverts,	2.00
Samuel Brown, labor with team,	4.00
Reuben Lamb, labor on culverts,	1.50
Daniel Crimmins, labor on culverts,	1.50
George Lamb, labor on culverts,	1.50
John Fenton, labor on culverts,	4.50
John Grady, labor on culverts,	4.50
John Dunn, labor on culverts,	6.00
M. Moynihan, labor on culverts,	2.25

Michael Shea, labor on culverts,	6.75
W. S. Whiting, labor on culverts, team,	9.00
William Lusty, labor on culverts,	1.50
John Lynch, labor on culverts,	4.50
Daniel Shea, labor on culverts,	16.50
C. J. Leary, labor on culverts,	33.00
John Daily, labor on culverts, team,	4.00
Timothy Keefe, stone for culverts,	2.00
George Simmons, labor with team,	1.50
John F. Loftus, labor with team,	4.00
Andrew Brosnahan, labor on culverts,	6.00
Jerry Sugrue, labor on culverts,	6.00
John Moriarty, labor on culverts,	3.75
John F. Twiss, labor, man and team,	4.00
Ed. P. Brown, labor on culverts,	3.75
John Lehan, labor on culverts,	3.75
John O'Connor, labor on culverts,	3.75
John Fenton, labor on culverts,	5.25
Daniel Kee, labor on culverts,	6.00
John Ouimet, labor on culverts,	4.50
W. S. Whiting, labor on culverts,	6.00
Ed P. Brown, labor on culverts,	2.25
Daniel Connor, labor on culverts,	3.00
John Lehan, labor on culverts,	5.25
John O'Connor, labor on culverts,	5.25
Albert King, labor on culverts,	10.50
Wm. A. Thompson, labor on culverts,	3.50
W. H. Hitchcock, sewer pipe,	7.02
C. J. Leary, labor on culverts,	24.45
Daniel Shea, labor on culverts,	12.22
Abraham Johnson, labor on culverts,	2.70
S. H. Brown, labor on sewers,	8.18
Henry Root, labor on sewers,	1.20
John Daily, labor on culverts,	4.00
Timothy Daily, labor on culverts,	1.50
B. J. Avery, labor on sewers,	9.62
Ed P. Brown, labor on sewers,	1.50
Samuel Brown, labor on culverts,	2.75
W. H. Hitchcock, pipe for sewers,	5.79

W. F. Fillmore, labor on culverts,	\$18.50
C. A. Brown & Co., pipe for sewers, and labor,	27.01
A. Brosnan,	4.50
S. H. Brown, labor on sewers,	2.45
R. B. Francis, one sewer grate,	1.75
John Moriarty, labor on sewers,	2.25

	\$408.64

RAILINGS.

Appropriation—	\$200.00
Charles McCarty, 7 rods railing,	\$ 7.00
Fred Korff, 260 feet railing,	15.75
Frank Elmer, 68½ rods railing,	68.50
W. H. Hitchcock, iron pipe for railing,	2.02
Eugene Shorley, 31½ rods railing,	31.50
James H. Clark, 32 rods railing,	32.00
F. H. Kendall, 18 rods railing,	18.00
Shaw Brothers, spikes and nails,	1.80

	\$176.57

POLICE.

John P. Eastman, services,	\$397.76
James J. Manning, services,	399.96
Michael Collins, services,	399.96
John F. Luman, services,	399.96

	\$1,597.64

ELECTRIC LIGHTS.

Appropriation—	\$5,000.00
Central Mass. Electric Co., lighting streets from	
March 1st, 1897, to March 1st, 1898, \$4,999.92	

LAND FOR CEMETERY.

Appropriation—	\$3,000.00-
John M. Converse,	\$3,000.00

JAMES B. CARROLL.

In settlement of Dupont case,	No appropriation.
	\$500.00

MEMORIAL DAY.

Appropriation—	\$100.00
L. L. Merrick Post, G. A. R.,	\$100.00

SOLDIERS AND SAILORS RELIEF.

Appropriation—	\$300.00
L. L. Merrick Post, G. A. R.,	\$300.00

YOUNG MENS' LIBRARY ASSOCIATION.

Appropriation—	\$1000.00
L. E. Chandler, treasurer,	\$1000.00

SUPPRESSION ILLEGAL LIQUOR SALES.

Appropriation—	\$500.00
O. W. Studley,	\$7.50
John P. Eastman,	5.00
Thomas W. Kenefick,	40.00
O. W. Studley,	27.00
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	\$79.50
Balance,	\$421.50

SHADE TREES.

Appropriation—	\$50.00
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REPAIRS ON HEARSE.

Appropriation—	\$85.00
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BOARD OF HEALTH.

Appropriation—	\$200.00
Dr. Wm. Holbrook, services,	\$100.00
Dr. Leslie H. Hendee, services,	50.00
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	\$150.00
Balance,	\$50.00

SIDEWALKS.

Appropriation—	Thorndike, Main street,	\$150.00
Patrick F. Hurley, labor,	\$6.00	
Michael Murphy, labor,	8.25	
John F. Loftus, labor, man and team,	34.00	
Jason W. Miller, labor, man and team,	20.00	
James Casey, labor,	7.50	
Edward McKelligott, labor,	11.25	
Andrew Brosnan, labor,	9.00	
Timothy Daily, labor,	7.12	
Daniel Shea, labor,	6.00	
Jerry Sugrue, labor,	4.12	
Michael Sullivan, labor,	3.00	
John Murphy, labor,	2.25	
Michael McKelligott, labor,	4.50	
John Loftus, labor,	7.50	
Crehan & Dotney, concreters,	220.81	
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	\$351.30	

COMMERCIAL STREET.

Appropriation—	\$350.00
John F. Loftus, man and team,	\$ 8.00
Edward McKelligott, labor,	3.00
Patrick F. Hurley, labor,	3.00
John Crowley, labor,	3.00
John Murphy, labor,	1.50

BONDSVILLE.

Appropriation—		\$210.00
Crehan & Dotney, concreters,	\$240.82	
W. S. Whiting, labor, man and team,	15.80	
Sidewalks, general appropriation,		\$350.00
" special appropriation,		200.00

Total appropriations—		\$1,260.00
Crehan & Dotney, work at Palmer Depot,	348 96	
Chas. T. Brainerd, labor on sidewalks,	20.00	

	\$995.38	\$995.38
Balance of Appropriation,		_____
		\$264.62

MACADAM ROAD.

In compliance with the vote of the town, the Selectmen purchased the machinery to operate the crusher loaned the town by the State Highway Commission, at an expense of \$1124 for the plant complete, ready for work. The sum of \$1200 has been paid to the farmers and others for stone delivered at the crusher; the sum of \$2324 has been expended in straightening and widening the road, grading the road bed, crushing the stone, delivering it on the road, rolling and watering, making a total expense of \$3524. Of this sum \$150 has been paid the town by the Palmer and Monson Street Railway Company for their share of the expense of widening the road, making the net cost to the town \$3374 for 5540 feet of road, exclusive of the cost of crushing plant, which is now in good condition.

C. T. Brainerd, man and team,	\$ 66.00
S. W. Stanchfield,	28.00
P. Murphy,	24.75
John Powers,	10.50
Dennis Dewire,	10.50

L. Wilcox,	\$24.75
F. Holdsworth,	24.00
Tim Crimins,	13.50
John S. Jones,	13.50
Wm. Murphy,	12.00
John Jones,	19.00
J. F. Twiss, man and team,	36.00
E. P. Brown,	6.00
W. J. Kenedy,	9.00
J. W. Brainerd,	20.00
H. S. Hobson,	3.00
J. M. Allen,	6.00
John Doyle,	7.50
Tom Monahan,	8 25
Tim Crimins,	6.75
J. W. Brainerd,	5.00
S. Leach,	8.75
T. J. Chalk,	23.82
John Daley,	24.91
Geo. Smith,	27.68
John Crowley,	29.96
C. Forsman,	9.79
P. Trumble,	12.70
Geo. Laford,	7.56
Mike Laford,	7.69
C. H. Johnson,	5.91
S. W. Stanchfield,	1.08
P. Ditto,	.97
C. T. Brainerd, man and team,	42.80
J. F. Twiss, man and team,	40.80
John Jones,	22.00
E. P. Brown,	15.30
F. Holdsworth,	15.30
John S. Jones,	15.30
Patrick Murphy,	15.30
Tim Crimins,	16.05
W. J. Kenedy,	14.55
L. Wilcox,	15.30
Wm. Murphy,	15.30

J. F. Holbrook & Son,	\$43.83
Ed. Lynch,	12.00
John Pasco,	16.05
E. Carey,	10.50
Geo. A. Smith,	18.00
Guy Stanchfield,	20.00
J. H. Brainerd,	30.00
E. Crimins,	6.00
John Daley,	8.00
T. J. Chalk,	30.59
John Daley,	13.37
Geo. A. Smith,	22.94
John Crowley,	21.56
C. Forsman,	17.51
P. S. Trumble,	24.84
Geo. Laford,	17.94
M. Laford,	19.70
C. H. Johnson,	11.85
Jos. Smart,	18.18
P. Ditto,	23.41
James Clark,	6.60
Samuel Brown,	26.78
H. Stimson,	9.39
Otto Smith,	5.71
H. M. Kendall,	5.98
C. T. Brainerd, man and team,	44.00
J. F. Twiss, man and team,	44.00
Guy Stanchfield,	8.00
John Jones,	22.00
E. P. Brown,	12.00
F. Holdsworth,	16.60
John S. Jones,	16.50
P. Murphy,	16.50
Tim Crimins,	16.50
W. J. Kenedy,	16.50
L. Wilcox.	16.50
Wm. Murphy,	16.50
E. J. Lynch,	16.50
E. Carey,	7.50
John Pasco,	16.50

Ed. Crimins,	\$16.50
Sam Brown,	60.50
John Crowley,	28.00
John Daley,	44.00
Chas. Carey,	9.00
J. W. Brainerd,	27.50
James Casey,	16.50
T. J. Chalk,	23.15
Geo. A. Smith,	32.44
John Crowley,	17.06
C. Forsman,	14.03
P. S. Trumble,	25.52
Geo. Laforde,	17.71
M. Laford,	14.41
Jos. Smart,	3.37
C. H. Johnson,	11.10
Jos. Smart,	11.90
P. Ditto,	15.67
H. Stimson,	5.33
Albert Willett,	17.50
C. T. Brainerd, man and team,	44.00
J. F. Twiss, man and team,	12.00
John Daley,	35.60
John Jones,	23.00
E. P. Brown,	17.25
F. Holdsworth,	16.50
J. S. Jones,	16.50
P. Murphy,	16.50
Tim. Crimins,	16.50
Ed. Crimins,	16.50
L. Wilcox,	16.50
Wm. Murphy,	16.50
E. J. Lynch,	7.50
John Pasco,	14.70
Chas. Carey.	3.00
James Casey.	16.50
Samuel Brown,	38.50
J. F. Loftus,	20.00
C. Learey,	9.00
Dan'l Shea,	4.50

J. W. Brainerd,	\$30.00
T. J. Chalk,	42.20
Geo. A. Smith,	53.08
John Crowley,	43.89
C. Forsman,	25.29
P. S. Trumble,	44.84
Geo. Laford,	3.82
M. Laford,	5.86
Peter Ditto,	18.63
H. W. Stimson,	15.48
H. M. Kendall,	8.59
Albert Willett,	28.33
C. T. Brainerd, man and team,	32.00
John Daley,	20.00
John Jones,	12.00
E. P. Brown,	6.00
F. Holdsworth,	7.50
J. S. Jones,	7.50
P. Murphy,	9.00
E. Crimins,	7.50
L. Wilcox,	7.50
Wm. Murphy,	6.00
John Pasco,	7.50
James Casey,	6.00
Sam'l Brown,	16.50
J. F. Loftus,	12.00
J. W. Brainerd,	25.00
T. J. Chalk,	11.03
Geo. A. Smith,	18.00
John Crowley,	12.65
C. Forsman,	7.50
P. S. Trumble,	16.50
P. Ditto,	2.85
H. M. Kendall,	7.40
Albert Willett,	8.79
H. W. Stimson,	7.53
A. J. Northrop,	11.25
Geo. N. Stone,	2.80
Smith & Co.,	2.31

R. B. Francis,	\$ 2.00
F. D. Thompson,	7.20
F. F. Marcy,	4.00
J. F. Holbrook & Son,	9.03
E. A. Buck & Co.,	7.88
C. T. Brainerd, man and team,	28.00
John Daley,	20.00
John Crowley,	18 43
John Jones,	10.00
E. P. Brown,	7.50
F. Holdsworth,	1.50
John S. Jones,	7.50
P. Murphy,	12.00
E Crimins,	7.50
L. Wilcox,	7.50
James Casey,	1.50
P. Crimins,	1.50
Geo. A. Smith,	21.12
C. Forsman,	12.29
P. S. Trumble,	26.82
P. Ditto,	9.78
Sam'l Brown,	12.73
H. M. Kendall,	9.85
H. A. Northrop,	5.91
H. W. Stimson,	10.53
J. F. Holbrook & Son,	10.29
W. A. Thompson,	26.00
Richard Kennedy,	3.00
H. Wilcox,	1.50
F. Holdsworth,	4.50
Dennis Dewire,	4.50
John Powers,	4.50
P. Murphy,	4.50
S. W. Stanchfield,	12.00
C. T. Brainerd, man and team,	12.00
Climax Road Machine Co.,	750.47
T. J. Lewis, agent Climax Road Machine Co.,	30.00
C. E. Fish, agent C. V. R. R., freight on engine,	49.33
Boston & Albany R. R. Co., freight on tools,	6.64

E. A. Buck & Co.,	\$ 24.29
M. Healey, repairing tools,	7.70
W. H. Hitchcock,	81.14
Thorndike Co., waste for engines,	1.31
Warren Steam Pump Co.,	52.00
Daniel Shea,	10.50
C. J. Leary,	21.00
C. T. Brainerd,	100.00
American Car Sprinkling Co.,	112.50
E. A. Buck & Co.,	19.52
Geo. H. Lyman,	5.00
J. F. Holbrook & Son,	80.33
C. T. Brainerd, balance for labor,	100.00
	—
	\$4,648.00

RECAPITULATION.

	Appropriation.	Expenditures.
Contingent,	\$3,900	\$3,865.45
Highways,	4,500	4,599.87
Bridges,	1,700	1,845.87
Sewers and culverts,	400	408.64
Railings,	200	176.57
Memorial Day,	100	100.00
Soldiers and sailors' relief,	300	300 00
Young Men's Library Association,	1,000	1,000.00
Suppression of illegal liquor sales,	500	79.50
Board of Health,	200	150.00
Shade trees,	50	
Repairs on hearse,	85	
Sidewalks,	1,260	995 38
Dupont case, J. B. Carroll,		500.00
Cemetery,	3,000	3,000.00
Macadam.	4,500	4,649.00
Electric lights,	5,000	4,999.92
Police,	1,600	1,597.64
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	\$28,295	\$28,267.84
Balance of appropriations,		\$27.16
Received from Electric road,		150.00
	—	—
		\$177.16

ACCOUNTS DUE THE TOWN.

SIDEWALKS.

From Wilson Lawrence,	\$6.93
A. N. Southwick,	9.70
A. Girouard,	8.20
John F. Hanifin,	2.70
Rev. B. McKeany,	30.75
Boston Duck Co.,	15.30
M. M. Thomas,	13.51
Mrs. Andrews,	13.00
Mrs. Kent,	8.09
Mrs. Daily,	6.72
Mrs. H. McAuliffe,	6.78
Mrs. Hartnett,	7.41
	—
	\$129.09

SEWER LICENSES.

From Henry P. Holden,	\$100.00
C. W. Johnson,	30.00
	—
	\$130.00

FROM STATE.

State and military aid,	\$1,169.33
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	\$1,169.33
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	\$1,428.42

RECOMMENDATIONS.

Contingencies,	\$4,000
Railings,	200
Sewers and Culverts,	400
Highways,	4,500
Bridges,	1,000

CHAS. T. BRAINERD, } *Selectmen*
 GEO. M. ATKINS, } *of*
 JOHN F. TWISS, } *Palmer.*

List of Jurors.

Jas. B. Shaw,	H. H. Paine,
George Ezekiel,	William Prarie,
John W. Fay,	H. D. Converse,
W. H. Higgins, Jr.,	Charles H. Burns,
John W. Brainerd,	George F. Orcutt,
James Crehan,	James W. Foley,
F. D. Barton,	Ed P. Brown,
Jos. V. Clark,	F. H. Caryl,
M. Griffin,	John Sugrue,
Geo. D. Whiting,	E. S. Brooks,
H. N. Sedgwick,	Patrick F. Hurley,
W. J. McCormick,	Henry W. Holbrook,
D. E. Tenney,	W. H. Osborn,
M. A. Sherman,	Daniel Healey.
Joseph Dominy,	Charles Underwood,
P. H. McKelligott,	William E. McDonald,
Henry S. Hobson,	E. P. Ball,
John Wilson,	A. L. Warriner,
Daniel J. Sullivan,	Michael Riley,
A. G. Newton,	William Herren,
Frank Carpenter,	Charles W. Robinson,
Daniel J. Manning,	Maurice J. Moriarty,
Ed J. Fuller,	H. T. Bishop,
Harvey D. Carey,	J. A. Hawkes,
John F. Dawson,	John Daley.
Beni Furkey,	W. R. Milligan,
B. J. Avery.	P. M. Shearer,
Mathew Coffee,	John L. Wilder,
Austin R. Smith,	Franklin Barker.
Fred Collis,	Timothy Keefe, Jr.,
Thomas Quirk,	J. A. Breckenridge,
George W. Keith,	E. Durand.
William S. Taylor,	Thos. W. Mansfield,
George Lafave,	Isaac F. Gerald,
George W. Ely,	Harry W. Keith,
Cyrus W. Knox,	William B. Murphy,
John Desmond,	Frank Phanuef.
Butler Sedgwick,	Thomas Hutchinson,
Thos. D. Carmody,	William H. Smith, Sr.,
James Thomson,	James Brosnau,

JOHN F. TWISS, } Selectmen of
GEO. M. ATKINS, } Palmer.

March 7th, 1898.

Tax Collector's Report.

1895.

Amount on collector's book,	\$48,937.04
Amount added to collector's book,	8.48
Amount interest collected,	115.11
Amount paid treasurer to Sept. 1st,	\$40,300 00
Discount,	2,572.34
Abatements,	502.01
Amount paid treasurer after Sept. 1st,	5,686.28
	\$49,060.63
	\$49,060.63

1896.

Amount on collector's book,	\$61,998.29
Amount added to collector's book,	42.66
Interest collected,	165.71
Amount paid treasurer to Sept. 1st,	\$52,630.00
Discount,	3,359.36
Abatements,	352.99
Amount paid treasurer since Sept. 1st,	5,800.00
Amount to be collected,	64.31
	\$62,206.66
	\$62,206.66

1897.

Amount on collector's book,	\$56,735.96
Interest collected,	76.41
Amount paid treasurer to Sept. 1st,	\$47,897.16
Discount,	3,057.27
Probable abatements,	425.00
Amount paid treasurer since Sept. 1st,	4,500.00
Amount to be collected,	932.94
	\$56,812.37
	\$56,812.37

H. A. NORTHROP, *Tax Collector.*

Report of Overseers of the Poor.

SUPPORT OF POOR NOT ON TOWN FARM.

Northampton Insane Hospital, aid to Mrs. Mary Callahan,	\$32.07
Northampton Insane Hospital, aid to James Sullivan,	169.46
Northampton Insane Hospital, aid to Patrick Ryan,	169.46
Northampton Insane Hospital, aid to Bridget Bresnahan,	143.92
Taunton Insane Hospital, aid to George Gerald,	169.46
Westboro Insane Hospital, aid to Mrs. Emma Graham,	169.47
Medfield Insane Hospital, aid to Harriet Gerald,	146.00
Medfield Insane Hospital, aid to Abbie A. Lynes,	146.00
Medfield Insane Hospital, aid to Mary Callahan,	121.60
Town of Barre, burial of Mrs. Frizena Brothers,	11.50
Dr. W. H. Bliss, taking Willis Barber to Springfield,	3.43
House of Mercy, aid to Willis Barber,	17.00
Whiting & Ramsden, aid to John Beruby,	1.00
Town of New Salem, aid to John Beruby,	40.23
H. G. Loomis, burial of John Beruby,	18.50
City of New Bedford, aid to Ellen Moriarty,	128.75
City of Fitchburg, aid to Levi Lonzo,	13.10
Walker & Kelley, aid to Mrs. David Fleming,	128.00
J. W. Miller, aid to Mrs. David Fleming,	12.12

G. W. Lent, aid to Mrs. David Fleming,	\$ 8.00	148.12
Walker & Kelley, aid to Mrs. James Vashe,	130.00	
J. W. Miller, aid to Mrs. James Vashe,	16.87	
G. W. Lent, aid to Mrs. James Vashe,	8.00	154.87
Walker & Kelley, aid to Henry Comme,	22.50	
J. F. Holbrook & Son, aid to Walter F. Potter,	6.50	
Easthampton, aid to Mrs. Kate McGowan,	33.46	
Northampton, aid to Mrs. Kate McGowan,	9.12	42.58
Shaw Brothers, aid to Hattie Young,	60.00	
Shaw Brothers, aid to Mrs. Frank Rivers,	72.00	
M. Lawlor, aid to Mrs. Jane Riley,	78.31	
J. M. Miller, aid to Mrs. Jane Riley,	3.00	81.31
John Wilson, aid to Mrs. Fred Freak,	3.00	
J. B. Brown & Co., aid to Mrs. Joseph Fountain, .	3.00	
T. D. Potter & Co., aid to Maggie Shea,	37.15	
Moriarity Brothers, aid to Maggie Shea,	65.00	102.15
C. L. Holden, aid to Hattie Richmond,	4.00	
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, aid to Thom- as Weire,	12.57	
C. L. Holden, aid to Mrs. Leonore Brier.	44.83	
City of Chicopee, aid to Mrs. Leonore Brier,	28.43	73.26
Dr. L. H. Hendee, medical services,	75.00	
C. L. Holden, aid to Nellie Rose,	48.00	
C. L. Holden, aid to Philip Beauregard,	45.00	
T. D. Potter & Co., aid to Philip Beauregard,	3.61	48.61
G. W. Lent, aid to John Corey,	19.00	
G. W. Lent, aid to Roswell Craw,	4.00	
J. F. Holbrook & Son, aid to Roswell Craw,	6.50	
E. Goodes, aid to Roswell Craw,	2.00	
Smith Grocery Co., aid to Roswell Craw,	17.00	29.50
City of Holyoke, aid to Lewis Musantee,	10.90	
City of Holyoke, aid to Adelaide Mayott,	77.85	
City of Holyoke, burial of Albert A. Cadaroux,	8.00	
City of Holyoke, aid to Accida Ratelle,	33.25	
City of Holyoke, aid to Antony Austin,	6.00	
City of Holyoke, aid to Alfred Austin,	59.60	
A. O. LaRiviere, aid to Mrs. Charles O. Mc- Garrett,	5.00	

City of New Bedford, aid to Patrick Corcoran,	\$ 1.50	
Joseph Belanger, burial of Emma Sampson,	15.00	
Joseph Smart, aid to Mrs. Luella Decker,	1.00	
B. & A. R. R. Co., aid to Mrs. Luella Decker,	3.13	4.13
Town of Blackstone, aid to James Mannix,	9.85	
City of Fall River, aid to Ann Hammill,	31.50	
City of Fall River, burial of Zelda St. John,	8.00	
City of Worcester, aid to William McCormick,	62.85	
Moriarty Brothers, aid to Kate Fenton,	39.00	
Moriarty Brothers, aid to Kate Callihan,	39.00	
Moriarty Brothers, aid to Mary O'Brian,	39.00	
Moriarty Brothers, aid to Mary Sheehan,	39.00	
Springfield Hospital, aid to Domain Rivets,	56.00	
E. J. Kelley, aid to Frank Sampson,	12.00	
New England Telephone Co., use of telephone,	24.00	
City of Springfield, aid to Margaret Lonzo,	8.00	
City of Springfield, aid to Florence McCarty,	29.63	
City of Springfield, aid to Mary and Kate Cahill,	30.11	
City of Springfield, aid to Fred Freak,	24.43	
Truesdell & Brown, aid to Fred Bressett,	5.00	
J. B. Shaw, aid to Fred Bressett,	15.00	
J. F. Holbrook & Son, aid to Fred Bressett,	6.50	
E. Goodes, aid to Fred Bressett,	10.20	
O. A. Parent, aid to Bridget McCarty,	27.05	
C. B. Fiske & Co., printing,	2.25	
H. D. Converse, aid to George W. Lee,	30.00	
G. W. Lent, aid to George W. Lee,	3.50	
Truesdell & Brown, aid to George W. Lee,	8.00	
J. B. Shaw, aid to George W. Lee,	17.00	58.50
J. F. Luman, aid to Michael M. Flynn,	3.08	
House of Mercy, aid to Michael M. Flynn,	44.28	
C. A. LeGro, aid to Michael M. Flynn,	4.55	
City of Worcester, burial of Armenia Courtemanch,	10.00	
Town of Revere, aid to Mrs. Emma Lamorine,	16.35	
Town of Ware, aid to Tuffield Gokey,	60.00	
W. E. Stone, aid to L. W. Tanner,	60.00	
Town of Monson, aid to Mrs. David Darling,	46.00	
City of Fall River, burial of Mrs. Lydia Firkey,	16.00	

E. B. Taylor, aid to Daniel Madison,	\$ 6.00
J. B. Shaw, aid to Ellen Watts,	6.25
H. T. Bishop, cash paid for telegraphing,	6.67
Cash Paid, looking up settlements,	72.15
Cash Aid, paid out,	34.72
Cash Paid, paper and postage,	12 70
H. G. Loomis, burial of Sam Mason,	16.00
O. C. Marcy, team,	3.21
John Wilson, aid to Hillard Dufour,	5.00
H. T. Bishop, expense to New Bedford and bringing Moriarty boys home,	15.26
William Merriam, services as overseer,	200.00
H. T. Bishop, services as overseer,	175.00
R. L. Bond, services as overseer,	150.00
	————— \$4,268.28

SUPPORT OF POOR ON TOWN FARM.

G. W. Lent, services as warden,	\$600.00
E. B. Taylor, goods to Farm,	14.62
Frederick Thompson, goods to Farm,	115.80
William E. Fife & Co., ashes to Farm,	99.20
James J. H. Gregory & Co., garden seeds,	26.84
John Wilson, labor and material,	13.05
Legro & Lynde, wall paper,	2.60
N. W. Bond, goods to Farm,	103.77
E. A. Buck & Co., goods to Farm,	78.63
E. Goodes, boots and shoes,	30.15
C. K. Gamwell, goods to Farm,	58.50
C. D. Holbrook, goods to Farm,	344.10
C. A. Brown & Co., goods to Farm,	17.24
Clark & Hastings, goods to Farm,	34.30
W. E. Stone, goods to Farm,	68.05
J. B. Shaw, goods to Farm,	275.43
C. B. Fiske & Co., Journal from Jan. 1st, 1897, to Jan. 1st, 1899,	3.50
	—————
	\$1,880 78

Whole number at the Farm during the year, 40.

Largest number at any one time, 36.

Average during the year, 26.

Average cost per week per person, \$1.39.

Males, 26 ; females, 14.

Died at Farm during the year, males, 2.

INVENTORY AT TOWN FARM MARCH 1ST, 1898.

Live stock,	\$1,002.50
Hay and grain,	287.00
Wood and lumber,	290.00
Farming tools,	538.95
Provisions and supplies,	230.45
Tin, glass, wooden and crockery ware,	137.15
Beds and bedding,	272.75
Furniture and fixtures,	397.50
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Inventory March 1st, 1897,	\$3,156.30
	3,310.70
Decrease,	—————
	\$154.35

COST OF KEEPING POOR ON TOWN FARM PER WEEK
FOR THE LAST TEN YEARS.

From March 1st, 1888, to March 1st, 1889,	\$2.15
From March 1st, 1889, to March 1st, 1890,	1.95
From March 1st, 1890, to March 1st, 1891,	1.82
From March 1st, 1891, to March 1st, 1892,	2.16
From March 1st, 1892, to March 1st, 1893,	1.67
From March 1st, 1893, to March 1st, 1894,	1.365
From March 1st, 1894, to March 1st, 1895,	1.38
From March 1st, 1895, to March 1st, 1896,	1.376
From March 1st, 1896, to March 1st, 1897,	1.365
From March 1st, 1897, to March 1st, 1898,	1.39

INVENTORY AT TOWN FARM FOR THE LAST
TEN YEARS.

March 1st, 1889,	\$1,910.51
March 1st, 1890,	1,882.62
March 1st, 1891,	1,867.76
March 1st, 1892,	1,661.97
March 1st, 1893,	2,005.88
March 1st, 1894,	2,209.30
March 1st, 1895,	2,300.70
March 1st, 1896,	2,635.50
March 1st, 1897,	3,310.70
March 1st, 1898,	3,156.30

RECEIPTS AT TOWN FARM.

Cash on hand March 1st, 1897,	\$ 11.94
Vegetables,	470.11
Inmates board,	347.00
1308 dozen eggs,	250.51
1024 lbs butter,	211.95
Live stock, including poultry and pigs,	205.96
3730 lbs of pork,	192.61
Wood,	59.75
Bull and boar,	17.75
Apples,	16.00
F. F. Marcy, 1770 lbs ashes,	8.85
3 pecks of barley,	.60
Dan Mahoney, 500 lbs ashes,	3.00
Pat Crowley, 1 bbl ashes,	1.00
Pat Crowley, seeds,	.75
Asa Gates, seeds,	2.63
Moving Mrs. Burpee,	4.50
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	1,804.91

CASH PAID OUT AT FARM.

Frederick Thompson,	\$ 84.04
G. A. Bills,	76.87
Domestic Baking Co.,	65.00
Henry McGilp,	39.74
E. B. Taylor,	13.11
W. A. Barnes,	21.40
W. E. Stone,	10.61
W. H. Laird,	16.37
J. B. Shaw,	9.05
Smith Grocery Co.,	8 70
Gurney & Co.,	6.30
E. J. Kelley,	255.92
D. L. Bodfish,	51.00
C. K. Gamwell,	12.96
Charles Gaff,	10.00

W. R. Milligan,	\$ 15.80
Massachusetts Shoe Co.,	.570
C. D. Holbrook,	138.73
M. Healey,	25.50
W. Winter,	6.00
L. Trumble,	29.65
O. P. Allen,	40.94
LeGro & Lynde,	23.80
L. Loyd,	8.60
T. H. Hughes,	13.20
L. Trumble,	16.89
J. Jones,	6.00
P. Bacon,	26.26
M. St. John,	28.75
J. Cadieux,	.55.75
G. E. Lent,	65.00
L. Fosman,	128.25
L. Fosman,	10.88
W. Burpee,	16.00
Sow and pigs,	27.00
Business wagon,	15.00
Horse, harness and carriage.	45.00
Freight on seeds and ashes,	60.84
Rent of pasture for 1896 and 1897,	30.00
Filling Silo,	52.40
Telegram, (Beruby),	.26
Ellsbree,	.25
Swears,	.25
Ellsbree, glasses,	1.25
Postage stamps,	.30
Abbie McCormick, clothes,	5.00
Jack Kelleher,	.25
John Lynch,	1.00
Clark & Hastings,	.60
Walter Hammond,	.25
Dr. Holbrook,	.25
Simmons, clothes,	.50
Cook, repairing shoes,	.20

Postage stamps,	\$.50
George Smith, carting ashes,	3.50
Sam Brown, use of horse,	1.50
Seeds,	.25
Paper,	.70
O. Smith, plowing,	7.00
Dan Crimmings, labor in 1896,	3.00
Tim Crimmings, labor in 1896,	4.50
Soap powder,	1.20
John Stone,	.35
P. O. box rent,	.50
W. McCormick,	.25
Groceries,	1.00
Ellsbree,	.35
St. John, scraps for hens,	.80
W. Hammond,	.25
George Whiting,	1.00
Stamps,	.30
John Stone,	.25
William Fuller,	1.00
Morris Prindable, labor,	3.00
W. E. Barton,	.65
Groceries,	1.00
Thornhill,	.35
W. McCormick,	.50
Thomas Callihan,	.25
Charles Colgrove,	.75
George Whiting,	1.00
Mrs. Lent,	1.00
J. Foley, groceries,	1.75
Paper,	.70
H. G. Loomis,	.75
Journal office,	.25
Haynes, tinware,	1.55
W. Hammond,	.25
Clifford,	1.00
P. McKelligot,	.30
Help in house,	2.90
Sugar,	.25

Essence,	\$.50
Ellsbree,	.45
Soap,	.55
Berries,	.90
Pat McKelligot,	.50
Help in house,	.50
W. Hammond,	.50
Soap,	1.00
Hitchcock,	.50
Paper,	.70
McKelligot, clothes,	1.15
Soap,	1.00
John Fuller,	.55
Swears,	.35
Stamps,	.55
John Stone,	.40
John Fuller,	.20
Colgrove,	.25
Paper,	.70
E. A. Buck & Co.,	.15
Ellsbree,	.25
Simmons, clothes,	2.25
Annie McCormick,	.50
John Stone,	.25
Thompson, blacksmithing,	1.00
Soap;	.80
E. A. Buck & Co.,	1.00
Seeds,	.20
Truesdell & Brown,	.53
Colegrove,	.50
Groceries,	1.00
Beans,	.25
Pat Crimmins,	.75
Mrs. Sanderson,	3.60
Beans,	.20
Help in house,	.25
W. Hammond,	1.00
Paper,	.70
Help in house, .	.25

J. A. Fuller,	\$.50
Pat McKelligott,	1.00
Help in house,	5.00
Stamps,	.50
Beans,	.40
Groceries,	.50
Repairing wagon,	.25
Help in house,	.50
Dry goods,	.55
Book,	.25
Help in house,	1.00
J. Kelliher, work,	4.00
W. Hammond,	.50
Beans,	.55
Help in house,	.75
Beans,	1.30
Help in house,	2.00
Fly paper,	.38
Spices,	.35
Pat Crimmins, work,	3.00
Colgrove,	.25
Stamps,	.50
Soap,	1.00
Help in house,	1.50
Colgrove,	.25
Clifford,	1.00
Paper,	.70
Help in house,	.50
W. Hammond,	.50
F. J. Wassum,	.50
Beans,	.90
Help in house,	1.25
Colgrove,	.50
Groceries,	1.00
Beans,	.97
Apple Picker,	.50
Colgrove, overalls,	.75
Help in house,	1.30
Pierce, repairing harness.	.75

Brooks, repairing clocks,	2.50
Paper,	.70
E. A. Buck & Co.,	.38
Ellsbree & Swears,	.75
Colgrove,	.50
W. Hammond,	.30
Hitchcock,	.35
Help in House,	2.90
H. Ludington, clothes,	1.25
900 lbs ashes,	5.00
Stamps,	.35
Colgrove,	.50
Basket peaches,	1.25
Help in house,	1.22
H. Ludington,	.50
W. Taft,	.25
Ellsbree,	.50
W. Hammond,	.50
A. O. Allen,	1.25
Help in house,	1.15
John Paul, clothes,	2.16
Stamps,	.50
Paper,	.70
Colgrove,	.25
Johnson, envelopes,	1.50
J. F. Holbrook & Son,	1.61
George Whiting,	1.00
John Paul,	.25
Colgrove,	.35
Help in house,	.50
E. A. Buck & Co.,	.25
Pat Crimmins, work on sewer,	3.00
W. Hammond,	.60
Colgrove,	.20
Sherman, nine loads sawdust,	3.60
Stamps,	.50
Colgrove,	.50
John Paul,	.50
Hen and chickens,	.75

Homer Foot & Co.,	\$ 1.25
Help in house,	1.00
Car fare,	1.80
John Stone,	.35
P. McKelligot,	1.00
Colgrove,	.25
Luddington,	.25
W. Hammond,	.25
A. McCormick,	.75
J. F. Foley,	1.13
Paper,	.70
J. F. Foley,	.25
Luddington,	.25
Three roosters,	1.50
Stamps,	.52
Truesdell & Brown,	.40
H. Ludington,	.25
F. F. Marcy,	2.34
Mr. Murphy,	2.00
A. O. Allen,	.75
Help in house,	2.00
Stamps,	.30
McKelligott,	1.15
Paper,	.70
Guerney, butchering,	2.40
Ludington,	.75
Meat and groceries,	.50
Ellsbree,	.35
Swears,	.25
Mrs. Bacon,	.35
George Whiting,	1.00
Truesdell & Brown,	.35
A. R. Pierce,	2.00
W. Hammond,	.35
C. A. Brown & Co.,	.30
Fixing shoes,	.30
Help in house,	3.65
Mrs. Burpee,	6.60
Stamps,	.50

Ellsbree,	\$.50
Repairing shoes,	1.00
F. Cooley,	.50
Groceries,	1.00
A. O. Allen,	.60
Repairing shoes,	1.00
E. A. Buck & Co.,	.70
Turkeys,	2.50
Dr. Holbrook,	.50
Groceries,	.70
Repairing shoes,	.65
Help in house,	3.00
Groceries,	1.00
Stamps,	.50
E. S. Brooks,	.30
Spices,	.70
Hitchcock,	.30
Help in house,	2.50
Groceries,	1.00
Repairing lock,	.25
Filing saws,	.40
Journal office, printing,	1.00
E. E. Brooks,	.50
Colgrove,	.35
Dr. Hendee, manure,	3.00
Simmons, clothes,	.50
Ryder, beans,	1.75
Chandler, manure,	1.00
Essences,	1.23
Thornhill,	.62
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	\$ 1,804.91

POOR BELONGING TO OTHER TOWNS.

CITY OF SPRINGFIELD.

Dr. L. H. Hendee, medical attendance to Thomas Richmond,	15.00
T. D. Potter & Co., aid to Thomas Richmond,	6.97
C. L. Holden, aid to Thomas Richmond,	12.00
J. W. Loftus, burial of Thomas Richmond,	23.00
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	56.97

CITY OF NORTHAMPTON.

E. J. Kelley, aid to Margaret Dunn,	\$18.00	\$ 18.00
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TOWN OF HARDWICK.

T. D. Potter & Co., aid to Mrs. J. J. Mack,	4.00
E. B. Taylor, aid to Mrs. Lena Kenworthy,	2.00
A. W. Foley, aid to Mrs. Lena Kenworthy,	1.00
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	7.00

TOWN OF MONSON.

L. H. Hendee, medical attendance to W. H. H. Rider,	4.00	4.00
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TOWN OF WARE.

E. J. Kelley, aid to Mrs. Joseph Rogers,	48.00
John Wilson, aid to Joseph Miller,	18.00
Dr. L. H. Hendee, medical attendance to Joseph Miller child,	6.00
Joseph Belanger, burial of the Joseph Miller child,	10.00
W. Filmore, aid to Joseph Miller,	1.25
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	83.25

TOWN OF WEST BOYLSTON.

D. L. H. Hendee, medical attendance to Useb Auger,	13.00
John Wilson, aid to Useb Auger,	10.09
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	23.09

CITY OF WORCESTER.

Dr. L. H. Hendee, medical attendance to John C. Moran,	2.90
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	\$195.21

POOR BELONGING TO THE STATE.

J. F. Holbrook & Son, aid to Alfred Alarie,	\$ 3.25
Dr. L. H. Hendee, medical attendance to Al- fred Alarie,	3.00
J. B. Shaw, aid to Alfred Alarie,	7.00

A. J. Northrop, aid to Alfred Alarie,	\$ 2.75	
G. A. Bills, aid to Alfred Alarie,	2.00	
O. P. Allen, medicine to Alfred Alarie,	1.25	\$ 19.25
Dr. W. H. Bliss, medical attendance to Mike Doctor,	14.50	
H. T. Bishop, aid to Mike Doctor,	3.00	
Rodolph Skavera, aid to Mike Doctor,	18.00	
J. B. Brown & Co., aid to Mike Doctor,	34.25	69.75
Walker & Kelley, aid to Andrew Young,	3.26	
M. Lawlor, aid to Andrew Young,	18.57	
J. W. Miller, aid to Andrew Young,	4.00	25.83
Joseph Belanger, burial of Edward Abare,	15.00	
J. B. Brown & Co., aid to Kasper Barnach,	16.00	
Dr. L. H. Hendee, medical attendance to Annie Leskicwizez,	12.00	
Joseph Belanger, burial of Emelia Jubilo,	15.00	
J. B. Brown & Co., aid to John Jubilo,	5.00	20.00
Springfield Hospital, aid to Adolph Pellitier,	39.00	
Dr. J. P. Schneider, medical attendance to Adolph Pellitier,	10.00	49.00
G. W. Lent, aid to James Eagan,	3.00	
Dr. L. H. Hendee, medical attendance to Peter Langevin,	27.00	
E. B. Taylor, aid to Peter Langevin,	19.50	
Frederick Thompson, aid to Peter Langevin,	15.50	
J. F. Holbrook & Son, aid to Peter Langevin,	1.00	63.00
Dr. L. H. Hendee, medical attendance to Joseph Belair,	7.00	
John Wilson, aid to James Peverell,	5.00	
Joseph Belanger, burial of Frederick Dion,	8.00	
Dr. L. H. Hendee, medical attendance to Tekla Kanizska,	25.00	
J. W. Miller, aid to Tekla Kanizska,	5.00	
S. J. Joreczak, aid to Tekla Kanizska,	12.89	
		\$355.72

TRAMP ROOM.

A. O. Allen, care of tramp room,	\$60.00
A. O. Allen, working tramps,	49.95
A. O. Allen, stone hammer,	.50
A. O. Allen, crackers,	24.10
Palmer Savings Bank, use of tramp room,	90.00

	\$224.55

Whole number of tramps during the year, 612.

SPECIAL APPROPRIATION.

F. F. Marcy, lumber,	\$ 6.68
G. E. Lent, carpenter work,	30.00
T. D. Potter & Co., lumber and material,	151.21
John Wilson, labor and material,	38.69
W. H. Hitchcock,	67.99

	294.57

Whole amount expended, \$7,209.11

RECAPITULATION.

CASH RECEIVED.

Appropriation for support of poor,	\$6,000.00
Special appropriation,	300.00
Received from the state,	334.16
Town of Monson,	4.00
Town of Gardner,	13.00
Town of Hardwick,	7.00
West Boylston,	23.09
City of Worcester,	4.15
City of Springfield,	225.60
City of Haverhill,	4.75

	\$6,915.75

CASH PAID OUT.

Poor not on Town Farm,	\$4,268.28
Poor on Town Farm,	1,880.78
State poor,	355.72
Other towns,	195.21
Tramp room,	224.55
Contingent fund,	294.57
	7,219.11

Balance,	\$303.36
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BILLS DUE THE TOWN.

From the state,	\$80.94
Northampton,	18.00
Town of Ware,	83.25
	171.59
Overdrawn,	\$131.77
Outstanding bills against the town (estimated),	600.00
	731.77

The Overseers would recommend \$6,000 as the amount to be appropriated for the coming year, with \$300 for the contingent fund.

WILLIAM MERRIAM,
H. T. BISHOP,
R. L. BOND, } *Overseers of
the Poor
of Palmer.*

We hereby certify that we have examined the books of the Town Clerk and Treasurer, Selectmen, and Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Palmer, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

S. H. HELLYAR, } *Auditors.*
C. K. GAMWELL, }

Report of the Board of Health.

The Board of Health is pleased to report that at present there is no disease prevailing in the town. One year ago measles were quite prevalent in some of the villages, and 85 cases were reported, though none of them were fatal.

The whole number of deaths reported from March 1st, 1897, to February 28th, 1898, (including still-born, of which there were 9), was 110. Of these 30 were under 1 year of age, 26 were over 70, and two were over 90, one of these being over 98 years old. Deaths from typhoid fever numbered 3 only; diphtheria, 2, a much smaller number than usual; pneumonia, 12, a larger number than from any other disease among the adults; phthisis, (or consumption), 10; disease of heart, 9; cancer, 3; other diseases, too numerous to mention, but of great variety in name.

Deaths by months: 1897—March, 10; April, 10; May, 11; June, 6; July, 7; August, 10; September, 8; October, 9; November, 12; December, 10; 1898—January, 9; February, 8. The smallest number was in June—6, and the largest in November—12.

The board has been called to see a smaller number of cattle having tubercular disease than for several years past.

WM. HOLBROOK, *Chairman Board of Health.*

Young Men's Library Association.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1ST, 1898.

The work of the Library for the past year is told in brief in the following statistics :

Number of volumes in the Library March 1, 1897,	4,628
Volumes purchased during the year,	295
Volumes donated during the year,	56
Total additions,	351
Present number of volumes,	4,979

Another order for about 125 volumes has been forwarded, which will be paid for out of last year's appropriation, but the books have not yet come to hand. When these arrive there will be in round numbers 5,100 volumes in the Library, an increase of 1,200 in the past three years.

The number of volumes loaned during the year was 16,120. Of this number 11,922 were fiction and 4,198 other classes. It is worthy of note that more than one-fourth of the books loaned belonged to other classes than fiction, and it is an encouraging indication of a growing taste for the better things in literature among the townspeople to see them using these more and more each year. Two years ago there were 2,888 volumes of these classes loaned, and last year the number was 3,758.

It may be stated with perfect truth, it is believed, that the library is quietly and steadily exercising an educational and elevating influence in the community, an influence which will be much more generally felt throughout the town the coming year, with the completion of the electric road, which will bring the villages nearer together and

give to the people in each nearly equal opportunities to avail themselves freely of the privileges of the Library.

An appropriation of \$1,000 is respectfully requested for the use of the Library.

CHAS. B. FISKE, *Librarian.*

REPORT OF THE TREASURER.

Cash on hand March 1st, 1897,	\$ 283.32
Received from Town of Palmer,	1,000.00
Sales of catalogues and fines,	37.00
Paid for new books,	\$330.37
Papers and Magazines,	78.99
Cataloging,	31.83
Librarian, Miss M. E. Robinson, (14 months),	233.33
Fuel,	187.22
Lights,	47.77
Janitor,	112.20
Express, cartage, postage, and mis- cellaneous supplies,	35.09
Cash on hand February 28th, 1898,	263.52

	\$1,320.32
	\$1,320.32

LOUIS E. CHANDLER, *Treasurer.*

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

I hereby certify that I have examined the books and accounts of the treasurer of the Young Men's Library Association, and find them correct in every respect.

JOHN F. TWISS,

Palmer, March 14th, 1898.

Town Warrant.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, } ss.
HAMPDEN, }

To John P. Eastman, Constable of the Town of Palmer,

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn all the inhabitants of the Town of Palmer, qualified to vote in elections of town officers, to meet at the several polling places in said Palmer, designated by the selectmen, to wit: In Precinct A at the Engine House, on Park street, in the Depot Village; in Precinct B at Exchange Hall, on Commercial street, in Thorndike; in Precinct C at the room occupied by the Athletic Club, near the dwelling house of Charles S. Ruggles, on East Main street, in Three Rivers; and in Precinct D at Liberty Hall, on Main street, in Bondsvillage, on Monday, the 21st day of March, A. D., 1898, at half past six o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to give in their votes on one ballot to the precinct officers of the several voting precincts of said town for the following town officers, to wit: Three selectmen, three assessors, a town clerk, a town treasurer, a collector of taxes, two auditors, five constables, three fence viewers, all for the term of one year; one overseer of the poor for the term of three years; two members of the school committee for the term of three years; one member of the school committee for the term of two years; one member of the board of health for the term of three years; also a board of cemetery commissioners to consist of three members, one for the term of three years, one for the term of two years, and one for the term of one year; also to vote by ballot, which shall be Yes or No, in answer to the question, "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?"

The polls will be open at half past six o'clock in the forenoon, and may be closed at three o'clock in the afternoon.

And you are further hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Palmer, qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Town House, at Four Corners, in said Palmer, on Monday, the 28th day of March, A. D., 1898, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles, viz.:

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2. To choose two or more field drivers, measurers of wood and bark, and all other usual town officers.

ART. 3. To see if the town will vote to establish a town library, raise and appropriate money therefor, pass any vote or take any action relative thereto.

ART. 4. To act on the reports of the town officers.

ART. 5. To raise money and make appropriations to defray the expenses of the town for the ensuing year.

ART. 6. To see if the town will authorize its treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of the taxes for the ensuing year, the same to be paid from said taxes.

ART. 7. To see if the town will authorize its treasurer to borrow money not to be paid from the taxes of the ensuing year.

ART. 8. To hear and act on reports of committees.

ART. 9. To choose committees and give them instructions.

ART. 10. To see if the town will allow a discount and determine what interest shall be paid on the taxes to be assessed for the ensuing year.

ART. 11. To determine the manner and state the terms and conditions of collecting the taxes for the ensuing year, and fix the compensation of the collector of taxes.

ART. 12. To determine the manner of repairing the highways and bridges for the ensuing year.

ART. 13. To see if the town will raise and appropriate money to suppress the illegal sale of intoxicating liquors.

ART. 14. To act on the list of jurors as prepared by the selectmen.

ART. 15. To see if the town will raise money for the Young Men's Library Association.

ART. 16. To see if the town will raise money to convey pupils to and from the public schools, and instruct the school committee as to the manner of letting the contract for such conveyance.

ART. 17. To see if the town will vote to raise money for the celebration of Memorial Day.

ART. 18. To see what action the town will take in relation to sewers.

ART. 19. To see what action the town will take in regard to lighting the streets, and whether it will authorize the selectmen to make contract therefor.

- ART. 20. To see what action the town will take in reference to the planting and preservation of shade trees.

ART. 21. To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of three hundred dollars for necessary aid to soldiers and sailors and their families, and the families of the slain, and intrust the same to L. L. Merrick Post of the Grand Army of the Republic, under the provisions of Chapter 189 of the Acts of 1885.

ART. 22. To see if the town will vote to maintain night police in the several villages and appropriate money for the same, or take any action relative thereto.

ART. 23. To see if the town will vote to hire the present tramp room and lockup.

ART. 24. To see what action the town will take in regard to sidewalks.

ART. 25 To see if the town will vote to construct a sewer or sewers in Park street, School street and Pearl street, with necessary connections, in the Depot Village, and raise and appropriate money for the same, or take any action relative thereto.

ART. 26. To see if the town will vote to locate an electric light at or near the corner of Pine and Pond streets, in the Depot Village, and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 27. To see if the town will vote to fix the salaries of town officers, or take any action relative thereto.

ART. 28. To see if the town will vote to construct a sewer in Main street in Thorndike, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 29. To see if the town will vote to accept and allow a road as laid out by the selectmen, in the Depot Village, and described as follows, viz: Beginning at the end of Central street and running in the same direction as Central street about 150 feet, through land of Oliver LaSalle to land of Charles E. Dewey.

ART. 30. To see what action the town will take in regard to the claims of J. B. Burlingame and James LaCroix, for injuries sustained by reason of alleged defects in highways of the town.

ART. 31. To see if the town will vote to raise and repair the highway in said town leading from the Sikes place, so-called, to the Bourne place, so-called, in Three Rivers.

ART. 32. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred and twenty-five dollars to be used in cutting down three hills on the road leading from Palmer Centre to Burleigh's Crossing.

ART. 33. To see if the town will vote to build a sidewalk from a point near the house of John Ritchie, on Palmer street, to the corner of Front street, in the village of Three Rivers, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 34. To see if the town will vote to construct a sewer from a point near the house of James B. Shaw to a point near the house of E. G. Hastings, on North Main street, in the Depot Village, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 35. To see if the town will authorize any of its officers or appoint any agent to bring any suit in behalf of the town.

ART. 36. To see if the town will raise and appropriate three hundred dollars to build a sewer from the northerly side of High street near the house of D. J. Sullivan, connecting with the culvert under High street aforesaid, in the village of Thorndike, through the land of Dennis Leary to and connecting with the sewer in the lower part of School street in said Thorndike, permission being granted by the said Dennis Leary to build said sewer through his land.

ART. 37. To see if the town will vote to build sidewalks in Bondsville as follows, viz.: From Parent's store on the east side of Main street to Spring street; also from Parent's store on the north side of the street leading to Forest Lake as far as the house of Father McKeane, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 38. To see if the town will vote to construct a sewer from a point near Parent's store westerly to the river at a point near the bridge.

ART. 39. To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars to straighten road on Main street from a point near the Church pool in the village of Thorndike to a point near the residence of George W. Keith.

ART 40. To see if the town will establish an arc light near the Farrell house on Prospect street in Bondsville and raise and appropriate money for the same.

ART 41. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three hundred dollars to provide an extra school room, with the necessary school furniture and supplies, at the Depot Village, or take any action relative to additional school accommodations at said Depot Village.

ART 42. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three hundred dollars to paint the outside of the Thorndike and Three Rivers school buildings, three hundred dollars for insurance of school buildings, and four hundred dollars for musical instruction in the schools and supplies.

ART 43. To see if the town will vote to build a sidewalk on the southerly side of South Main street, from Fox avenue to a point opposite the residence of C. E. Dewey, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

ART 44. To see if the town will instruct its selectmen to reconvey to the Thorndike Company any rights the town may have in land formerly occupied for school purposes, near the house of Michael Roche, in Thorndike.

ART 45. To see if the town will vote to construct a sewer in Pine street, in the Depot Village, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 46. To see if the town will instruct its selectmen to petition the Superior Court for the abolition of the grade crossings over the Ware River Railroad near Burleigh's Bridge.

ART. 47. To see if the town will vote to build a new bridge over the Ware River, near the Jerry Dutton place, on the road to Bondsville, and raise and appropriate money for the same, or take any action relative thereto.

ART. 48. To see if the town will authorize the selectmen to contract with the Massachusetts Highway Commission, and authorize its treasurer to borrow money to construct such section of state highway as said Highway Commission may lay out within the town.

ART. 49. To see if the town will vote to build a new bridge over the Ware River near the house of Michael Roche, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 50. To see if the town will establish a town library, elect a board of six trustees for the same, and appropriate money for its support.

And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at the different public places designated by the vote of the town, seven days at least before the holding of said meeting, and cause this warrant to be printed in the *Palmer Journal*, at least two issues before the holding of said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, on or before the holding of said meeting.

Given under our hands this tenth day of March, A. D., 1898.

JOHN F. TWISS,
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